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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

COURSE
Your course is the overall subject area you’re studying, e.g. history, economics. It’s a similar concept to a ‘major’ or ‘minor’.

MODULES
Modules (or classes) are units of study covering specific topics.

MODULE HANDBOOK
The module handbook, or syllabus, is an outline of what you will cover within each module. It will include a reading list and information on how you will be assessed.

SCHOOL
The School is the department you will be enrolled in, where you will take the majority of your modules.

FACULTY
A Faculty is a collection of academic Schools that have been grouped together for teaching, research and administrative purposes.

TRANSCRIPT
Your transcript is a (grade) report, listing all your modules along with the overall mark you achieved for each.

UCU
UCU is the UK university credit system and indicates the volume of study associated with each module. 60 UCU are equivalent to 30 ECTS credits (‘ECTS’ being the European system).
At UEA, we celebrate new ideas and new ways of thinking. Join us as we lead the way in subjects as broad and far reaching as climate change, international development, creative writing and cognitive psychology. Choose from a variety of classes and build a unique programme, while experiencing studying and living at one of the top 15 universities in the UK.

We know that it’s the people who come together at UEA that make us truly unique. Come study with us and we’ll bring breakthrough thinking to your time abroad – and you could find yourself helping us lead the way with the next pioneering idea.

Whatever your study abroad ambitions, UEA has an opportunity for you!

We have exchange partnerships with institutions all over the world, offering you the option to come to UEA for either a semester or full academic year on tuition-fee waived exchange. Alternatively, we welcome visiting students from non-partner universities, enabling you to study with us as a fee-paying student.

UEA is ranked in the top 15 UK universities and our teaching is rated GOLD in the Teaching Excellence Framework (2017-20).

As well as offering brilliant teaching, UEA is home to a population of more than 15,000 students. Within this, there are over 3,500 international students, who join us from more than 100 countries, creating a community and atmosphere where diversity thrives.

UK TOP
15
The Times/Sunday Times 2019 and Complete University Guide 2019

WORLD TOP
200
Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019
Norwich is a vibrant city with so much to offer. Steeped in history but buzzing with an atmosphere that is very much of the present day, it has a unique and independent character all of its own.

Norwich is the kind of city people are happy to get lost in. Wander down its cobbled streets and winding alleys, and you’ll find quirky shops, independent cafes, pubs and restaurants, all jostling for space in a beautiful medieval setting. And when you’re ready to take in a little culture, there are excellent museums, theatres and cinemas to enjoy, not to mention the music and arts festivals. Home to Norwich City Football Club, take the opportunity to watch a live match and immerse yourself in local culture.

Norwich was named England’s first UNESCO City of Literature thanks to its thriving literary scene. With two annual festivals and an on-going programme of events, literature is celebrated and enjoyed as an enriching element of the city’s fabric, attracting an eclectic mix of writers, thinkers and speakers to Norwich and UEA.

Norwich is also home to the National Centre for Writing, funded by organisations including the Arts Council England and UEA. The Centre’s role is to promote literature as an art form, and to provide a physical and virtual space for anyone working in the world of literature to meet, share ideas and collaborate. You’ll also find the Norfolk and Norwich Millennium Library located in the heart of the city.

Combine all of this and you quickly come to realise why Norwich is an inspiring space for anyone with a love of literature and the arts as a whole.
Medieval market towns and architecture dot the Norfolk landscape, and – when you’re done exploring – you can settle down and unwind in one of the area’s many cosy cafes and pubs.

**IN MY OPINION, NORWICH IS A PERFECT CITY FOR STUDENTS.**

**JAVIER FROM SPAIN**

Love to find new places? Beyond the city you will find Norfolk’s unspoilt and unique English countryside. The Norfolk Broads National Park is just moments away, and Norfolk’s stunning coastline stretches on just a little beyond, offering miles of beautifully unspoilt beaches to enjoy.
CLUBS AND SOCIETIES
If you’re looking to meet like-minded people, a club or society is a great place to start. The Students’ Union helps to run more than 200 clubs and societies, which includes everything from dance to sports and politics to environmental concerns. Not to mention our course-specific groups, such as the law or literature societies.

ACCOMMODATION
UEA isn’t just an inspiring place to study, it’s also a safe and friendly place to live. Nestled within the main campus, our student accommodation is designed to help you make the most of your time here. Our rooms are spacious, comfortable and fully furnished, and there are on-site senior residents to help you settle in and offer support if you have worries or concerns.

UEA offers a range of accommodation options. All of UEA’s housing is self-catering, offers cleaning services, and free WiFi. As a study abroad and exchange student, you’ll have the opportunity to apply for on-campus accommodation (subject to availability and preference).

FIND OUT MORE: www.uea.ac.uk/study/study-abroad/incoming/accommodation

FOOD AND DRINK
5 bananas  £0.90
500g spaghetti  £0.95
1kg easy cook long grain rice  £1.60
Loaf of bread  £0.59
2L bottle of water  £0.45

TRAVEL
Single/one-way bus ticket to Norwich city centre  £2.70
Single/one-way coach ticket to London (advance purchase) from £5.00

STUDY
Textbook  from £30.00
Printing and photocopying (per single page, black and white)  £0.05

MISCELLANEOUS
Laundry (wash and dry)  £5.30
Cinema (with student card) from £4.99

Norwich continues to retain its position as 12th most affordable student city in the UK in the NatWest Student Living Index 2018 – just one of the many reasons it’s a great place to study. Personal living costs will obviously vary according to your lifestyle, but we’ve put together prices for a few of the basics, just to give you a sense of things.

THE CITY OF NORWICH
From bustling shopping centres to breathtaking countryside, there’s plenty of things to see and do in Norwich. Whether you’re into art, music or history, you’ll be spoiled for choice.

This is UEA
Set in 300 acres of beautiful parkland, our campus is nothing if not unique. Award-winning modern architecture complements historical buildings, in a space that is both modern and accessible.

UEA IS ABOUT MEETING PEOPLE FROM DIFFERENT CULTURES AND MAKING FRIENDS FROM AROUND THE WORLD.

LETIZIA FROM SWITZERLAND

Fully equipped with everything you could need just minutes from your door, the facilities come together to create a welcoming student environment for your study abroad experience. And with the city of Norwich just down the road, it’s a great place to call home.
THIS IS COMMUNITY

NORWICH AND UEA HAVE WELcomed ME WITH WARM AND OPEN ARMS INTO THEIR BEAUTIFUL COMMUNITY, AND I KNOW THAT I WILL Cherish MY SHORT TIME HERE FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE.

REBECCA FROM USA

ON CAMPUS

Our campus is fully equipped with everything you could need to make your time at UEA that little bit easier and more enjoyable. On-campus amenities include:

- A variety of eateries and cafes
- A shop and post office
- Laundrettes
- A bank
- A bookshop.

What’s more, there is a multifaith centre, a library – which is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week – and free WiFi access across the entire campus. If you are sporty, we have an incredible sports facility. And we have excellent public transport links into Norwich city centre, London and the UK’s major airports, including Norwich airport.

MEDICAL SERVICES

As well as General Practitioners (GP) services, UEA Medical Services hosts a range of specialist clinics, such as a dental practice, as well as a pharmacy.

It’s essential to purchase suitable health insurance before arriving to study in the UK. We also advise you to purchase appropriate travel insurance.

STUDY ABROAD TEAM

We recognise that things can be a little daunting when studying overseas, so we have a dedicated UEA Study Abroad Team here to support you. Acting as a central point of contact, the team will help you with everything from your initial questions and queries through to the completion of your time with us.

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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Our Student Support Services (SSS) are here to ensure all UEA students have access to the professional services they need. Ranging from disability services, counselling and mental health support, to advice on financial matters. SSS can also provide you with access to study skill sessions, delivered by the Learning Enhancement Team.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVISORY TEAM

The International Student Advisory Team (ISAT) forms an integral part of SSS and is specifically dedicated to supporting and enhancing the UEA experiences of all international students. You can make one-to-one appointments if you need personal or welfare advice, and the team can also provide immigration and visa advice, as well as general guidance about studying in the UK.

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By choosing to spend your study abroad time with us, you can be sure that – as well as having a great time – you’ll be enriching your knowledge and way of thinking.

OUR UK RANKING

So, how do we compare to other UK universities? This is just a snapshot of our latest results, taken from the Guardian University Guide 2019.

1st American Studies
13th Earth and Marine Sciences
20th Media and Film
8th Art History

13th Chemistry
10th Economics
18th Law
3rd Education

20th History
13th Accounting and Finance
15th Business, Management and Marketing
17th Philosophy

At UEA we’re very proud of the reputation we have gained for the quality of both our teaching and research. We first opened our doors in 1963 as a home for academic innovation, and we’ve promoted cutting-edge ideas and research ever since. We’re ranked in the top 200 universities in the world* and we offer a wide and inspiring selection of study programmes.
UEA excels in the arts and humanities, and – as such – we provide a study environment where high quality research flourishes across a wide spectrum of disciplines. We established the very first Creative Writing MA in the UK in 1970, and have been seen as leaders in the field ever since. We are home to a collection of international art, donated to us by the Sainsbury family and displayed on campus in our Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts (SCVA). This inspiring and fascinating collection includes works by major European artists such as Francis Bacon, Henry Moore and Picasso, as well as art and antiquities from different periods and cultures around the world.

AMERICAN STUDIES

UEA’s Department of American Studies is one of the best established and highly regarded of its kind in the UK. We offer a broad range of courses exploring the history, literature, politics and culture of the United States, taught by scholars currently undertaking cutting-edge research in their specialist fields.

ART HISTORY

UEA is home to a world-leading Art History Department. Our key areas of specialist research include the history of art and architecture in Europe and North America, the arts of Africa, Asia, Oceania and South America, the archaeology and anthropology of art, museum studies, and cultural heritage. As well as the SCVA, UEA is home to the Sainsbury Research Unit for the Arts of Africa, Oceania and the Americas, and the Sainsbury Institute for the Study of Japanese Arts and Cultures. We are also part of a close network of internationally renowned centres for the study and display of art.

LITERATURE, DRAMA AND CREATIVE WRITING

UEA’s School of Literature, Drama and Creative Writing has a brilliant reputation. Our literature programme is taught by international experts across all periods of literature, from the medieval to the present, as well as by prize-winning poets, novelists, biographers and literary translators. In 2011, our Creative Writing programme was awarded a Queen’s Anniversary Prize for Higher and Further Education, in recognition of its continued excellence in delivering innovative courses at world-class level. UEA Creative Writing alumni include Booker Prize-winning author Ian McEwan and Nobel Prize-winner Kazuo Ishiguro.

FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIES

Focusing on the relationship between film, television and other media, and the creative and cultural contexts in which they are produced and consumed, UEA is recognised as a leading centre for the study of British, Hollywood and Asian cinema, popular film and television genres, and feminist approaches to media. We are home to the extensive East Anglian Film Archive, a unique resource for you to explore and make use of during your time with us. And we have close links with the British Film Institute in London.
HISTORY
At UEA you’ll be taught by internationally renowned academics, all of whom are active researchers, many with books to their name on their specialist subjects. Their research interests and expertise inspire our modules, so you can be sure that you’ll be learning at the forefront of historical debate. We have particular strengths in British, European, Russian and Soviet history, the Atlantic world, the Middle East and landscape history.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
Study international relations at UEA and you’ll examine the biggest questions in global politics today and gain real understanding of the world around you. In addition to the lectures within your taught modules, you’ll be invited to attend the School’s series of talks by visiting guest speakers. Previous speakers have included noted academics, politicians and other practitioners, who have focused on a wide range of subjects covering all aspects of politics and international relations.

LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES
Language and communication studies at UEA focuses on the current role of language, translation and intercultural communication within global communication networks – and how this might change in the future. During your time with us you’ll develop your language competence with a team of native speakers, and learn about translation, language and communication issues with experts in those fields. You’ll have access to some of the most exciting and innovative courses on offer, and you’ll also benefit from the incredible facilities in our state-of-the-art language centre, our interactive teaching methods, and the close-knit student community.

MEDIA AND CULTURE
Study media and culture at UEA and you’ll gain a new and inspiring perspective on the world by understanding the media that reflects and shapes it. You’ll analyse the theory, art and business of media, and discover not only how media changes the world, but also how you might create world-changing media of your own. You will be taught by staff who are specialists in areas such as digital humanities, popular music, advertising and PR, media and cultural studies, as well as the law and economics of media.

PHILOSOPHY
At UEA you’ll study philosophy in a community that will allow you to explore and challenge the greatest questions of life. Philosophy thrives on discussion, which is why you’ll work in partnership with lecturers and professors who have produced work that is discussed the world over. You’ll also have the opportunity to research a range of periods in the history of philosophy, such as classical philosophy, early modern philosophy and 20th century philosophy, both in the analytic and continental traditions.

POLITICS
Develop as a ‘critical thinker’ and learn how to tackle difficult subjects head on, by studying politics with us. Our lecturers are active in their fields and close to new political developments locally, nationally and internationally. UEA’s research focuses on topics as varied as social and political theory, international relations, policymaking, European politics, British politics and governance, public opinion and the politics of media and culture. UEA’s research also covers religion and politics, security and terrorism, global cities and the political economy of finance in Africa.
The Faculty of Science is one of the largest Faculties at UEA and encourages a ‘thinking without boarders’ approach to innovation and excellence in both teaching and research. This focus on interdisciplinary collaboration across the University – and with our partner institutes across Norwich Research Park – is one of our strengths, and provides an incredibly stimulating environment for our students.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
Study at the School of Biological Sciences and you’ll get to put your skills to use in our state-of-the-art research facilities and modern teaching laboratories. We are actively involved in pioneering research in subjects ranging from the biochemical, molecular and cellular levels, to ecological interactions and evolutionary processes. What’s more, our students benefit greatly from our enviable position as an integral partner in the Norwich Research Park, which is also home to the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital, and independent, world-renowned research institutes: the John Innes Centre, The Sainsbury Laboratory, the Earlham Institute and the new Quadram Institute.

CHEMISTRY
UEA is a leading centre for chemistry research in the UK, with 98% of our chemistry research ranked as world leading or internationally excellent in the most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF2014). Join us and you’ll be taught by academics who are true leaders in their field. From synthetic chemistry and clean energy technology, to spectroscopy and analytical and biophysical chemistry, our research has earned us a reputation for continually delivering the work of the highest standard. You can be sure you’ll be learning with the very latest information and thinking to hand.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
Since its foundation in 1967, UEA’s School of Environmental Sciences has become one of the largest and most fully developed interdisciplinary institutions of its kind in Europe. Join us and you’ll take your place in a stimulating, innovative and active research environment, undertaking the study of natural and human environments. Our mission is to harness our international research capabilities to achieve breakthrough advances in our understanding of the causes, consequences and societal implications of major challenges such as climate change, ecosystem loss and energy security. We can only do this by challenging perceived wisdom and the status quo and, as one of our students, we’ll encourage such thinking in you too.
GEOGRAPHY
Our geography courses draw on the expertise from the Schools of Environmental Sciences and International Development. Our academics regularly advise on policy issues concerning major global challenges, such as poverty reduction and environmental sustainability, so you’ll be learning from people who are making a real difference in the world. UEA is also home to the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, the Water Security Research Centre, as well as important research groups in the areas of science, society and sustainability, global environmental justice and globalisation and corporate social responsibility.

MATHEMATICS
Our School of Mathematics combines academic rigour with a supportive community and we pride ourselves on the personal attention our students receive. Study with us and you’ll be guided by our knowledgeable and enthusiastic academics, looking at mathematical patterns, relations and theories. Our faculty includes leading experts on a broad range of mathematical topics, such as algebra, logic and combinatorics, fluid mechanics, mathematical biology and environmental modelling.

PHARMACY, PHARMACOLOGY AND DRUG DISCOVERY
UEA’s pharmacy, pharmacology and drug discovery courses are designed to help you develop as both a scientist and a practitioner, giving you as much hands-on experience through practical and experiential learning as possible. And thanks to our modern and innovative career-focused teaching and world-class research, we’ve rapidly become one of the UK’s leading Pharmacy Schools. Our research environment was rated 100% world leading or internationally excellent in the most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF2014).

COMPUTING SCIENCES
The School of Computing Sciences combines excellent teaching and research and exciting course modules to offer a dynamic range of programmes targeted at the job market. We have outstanding laboratory facilities, including graphics and electronic hardware labs, as well as multiple general computing laboratories, exposing you to some of the latest equipment and software. And our academics are involved in pioneering research in areas including computer graphics, speech and language processing, business information systems, databases, mathematical algorithms, artificial intelligence, data mining, image processing, computer networks and computational biology.

If you are looking for engineering and actuarial sciences classes, please view our Schools of Mathematics, Computing Sciences, Economics and Norwich Business School. Students looking for biochemistry classes, please see our Schools of Biological Sciences and Chemistry.

NICK FROM USA
www.uea.ac.uk/study/study-abroad/incoming/modules
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Renowned across the world for our teaching, research and consultancy, UEA’s School of International Development is committed to making a real difference. Our academics are actively involved in global research, and work with national and international agencies advising on policy concerning major challenges such as poverty reduction and environmental sustainability. As a student within the School, you’ll benefit from our research-inspired approach to teaching, based on our staff’s own world-class studies.

ECONOMICS
The School of Economics proudly combines a reputation for internationally renowned research and unparalleled academic support for students. In our teaching we provide both the analytical rigour and expertise required to tackle a wide range of issues. We also use a number of different assessment methods to help you develop the soft skills highly sought by employers. And we offer a wide variety of modules, giving you the opportunity to study a range of economic sub-disciplines focused on contemporary issues.

BUSINESS
Responsible business is the defining aspect of Norwich Business School’s strategy, and a common thread throughout our research activities. With our strong links to industry, we understand the needs of business, and our courses embed practical elements to build essential skills and knowledge for the workplace. What’s more, in the most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF2014), UEA was ranked ninth in the UK for the quality of its research output in business and management studies (Times Higher REF2014 Analysis).

SOCIAL SCIENCES
Home to seven different Schools, UEA’s Faculty of Social Sciences provides a stimulating environment for interdisciplinary research and teaching. Each School is working at the forefront of academic and professional development in its own right, but – by combining their skills and knowledge – together they are pushing thinking across the field to new levels.

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LAW
Ranked 55th in the world*, UEA’s Law School is a vibrant community of expert academics and ambitious students with strong and meaningful links to the wider law community, further supported by our highly successful alumni. You’ll be based in the intimate environment of Earlham Hall, and you’ll be encouraged to see law as an opportunity to make a difference to the wider world. Our graduates are highly regarded by employers both in and outside the legal profession, and we have well-established relationships with many regional, national and international law firms.

PSYCHOLOGY
Study with us on our British Psychological Society-accredited programme and you’ll experience and benefit from our innovative and dynamic teaching approaches. Whether you have a broad or specific interest within the field of psychology, our range of courses offer a robust psychological perspective to inspire you. Our teaching is research led, with internationally renowned researchers sharing the excitement of new discoveries in psychological science that could have an impact on the way we understand each other and the world we live in.

EDUCATION
Our School of Education and Lifelong Learning is one of the UK’s premier centres for teaching in professional education and training. Informed by research that is recognised as internationally excellent, you’ll benefit from courses that bring together contemporary research and educational policy within a range of vocational settings. These include the sport, health and fitness industries, and both regional and national education development agencies.

*Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019
I was inspired to do an exchange at UEA because the university runs a renowned international development programme. I was not disappointed, my classes were excellent!

MAGDA FROM NORWAY

You’ll be considered to be studying full time if you’re covering 60 UCU per semester, which generally equates to three modules per semester, depending on the number of credits per module.

**ASSESSMENT**

Your time at UEA will usually be assessed through coursework and examinations. However, some classes only have one assessment so, in these instances, 100% of your grade will be based on that assessment.

**COURSEWORK**

Coursework can take many forms. These include essays, presentations, texts, practical laboratory work, projects and dissertations.

In some modules you’ll have the opportunity to submit formative coursework, which will not contribute to your final result but – as a way of gaining valuable feedback – will give you the opportunity to improve your work. Summative coursework is the final work you submit, the marks which contribute to your overall grade.

UEA has certain rules to ensure your work is submitted correctly. You’ll find information and guidance on this in both the Student Guide to Coursework Submission and Return, and in your module handbooks.

**EXAMINATIONS**

The main examination period at UEA takes place in May/June. If you join UEA as a single semester student for the autumn semester you will need to select modules where assessment is based entirely on coursework, or speak to the Study Abroad Team to request to submit coursework instead of an examination (where applicable).

Students who fail one or more of their module examinations may be referred for reassessment and may be required to return to UEA in mid-to-late August to complete reassessment examinations.

**INDEPENDENT STUDY**

You’ll be expected to undertake personal study in your own time as outlined in the module handbook, which you will be given at the start of each module.

**TRANSCRIPTS**

We will provide you with a transcript at the end of your study abroad experience at UEA. Your home university will manage grade translations and credit transfers.
**VISITING/FEE-PAYING**

If you require a visa to study in the UK, you will need to apply for it once you have accepted our offer. Please ensure you secure the appropriate visa on time by visiting: [www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/student-visas](http://www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/student-visas)

Our International Student Advisory Team is also on hand to help with any visa queries you may have: [isat@uea.ac.uk](mailto:isat@uea.ac.uk)

**PRE-REGISTRATION**

One month before the beginning of classes, you will be able to pre-register on the UEA online system (this is not the same process as your online study abroad application).

Once you have pre-registered you will be able to access our internal websites, including your timetable and allocated modules.

**ARRIVALS AND REGISTRATION**

If you’re unable to arrive on one of the official arrival days, please let us know in advance.

If you have opted to stay in university accommodation you will be given your room key upon arrival at UEA.

Please note, you should be prepared to show any documents used in your UEA application at UK customs in order to enter the country, so make sure you pack your paperwork in your hand luggage.

**ORIENTATION AND WELCOME EVENTS**

So that you have time to find your feet at UEA before classes start, we strongly recommend you arrive in time to participate in the orientation programme, which is also a great opportunity to meet fellow study abroad students.

There will be a series of welcome events running on the days between your arrival and the first day of classes, including a study abroad welcome event. A programme of activities will be made available to you closer to the time.
Summer. It’s getting away from it all, visiting new places, having new experiences, but what if you spent your summer expanding your horizons too?

In addition to our semester and year-long Study Abroad and Exchange Programmes, UEA offers summer study options. Choose one of our Undergraduate International Summer School modules and gain academic credit towards your degree, making the most of your summer.

During our summer courses you will:
- Build on your subject knowledge
- Develop your academic skills
- Experience an intensive and interactive learning environment
- Make new friends and academic connections from across the globe
- Increase your self confidence
- Have fun and make new memories.

Speak to your home Study Abroad Office about summer exchange opportunities at UEA or visit: www.uea.ac.uk/summerstudyabroad

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DO YOURSELF A FAVOUR, PICK UEA, YOU WON'T REGRET IT!

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