**Northumbria University**

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| About partner | About partner | Northumbria University is a research-rich, business-focused, professional university with a global reputation for academic excellence. It is based in the heart of Newcastle upon Tyne, which is regularly voted the best place in the UK for students. With 31,500 students, Northumbria is one of the largest universities in the UK. The University has its origins in the Rutherford College, founded in 1880. Today, by putting students at the heart of an outstanding experience, and with world leading research and award-winning partnerships, Northumbria is an innovative university, forging its own unique educational path. |
|  | About Newcastle | Newcastle is regarded as the capital of the North East of England. It is a lively, compact, modern and cosmopolitan city, located beside one of the North’s major rivers, the Tyne.  Living costs for students are among the lowest in the UK, so you’ll find an energetic student population living in the city. With exceptional art galleries, a stunning concert hall, great restaurants and interesting bars, it is a city made for students. |
|  | Did you know? | Northumbria achieved top spot in the UK for best ‘City Life’ in the WhatUni Student Choice Awards 2014. |
| Academic information | Main areas of study | * Built Environment, Property and Construction * Business and Management * Computing and IT * Creative Writing * Design * Fine Art and Photography * Geography and Environmental Sciences * Health, Community and Education Studies * History * Life Sciences and Chemistry * Media and Communication * Modern Languages * Performing Arts and Theory of Art and Design * Psychology * Sociology, Criminology and Politics * Sports Science   **Note:**   * The listed areas of study are not necessarily exhaustive and other fields of study might also be available at the partner institution. Moreover, names for fields of study may be different overseas. * A discipline being listed does not in indicate the suitability of the program, nor does it indicate that the discipline is taught in English. * Approval to study particular subjects at any institution is always at the discretion of the departmental/discipline and faculty advisors at RMIT University and subject to available places at the host institution. |
|  | Language requirements | Programs are taught in English. |
|  | Full time load [Equivalent to 96 RMIT Credit Points] | 60 UK credits per semester is considered the full time load  (this is equal to 48 RMIT credit points).  Single Module = 10 credits  Double Modules = 20 credits (only for students staying one year)  Generally, students will have to complete 6 modules per semester.    Some modules are 20 credits (this means they are year long), students  staying for 1 semester are not allowed to take those modules.  Note:  Level 4 = 1st year of UK degree  Level 5 = 2nd Year of UK degree  Level 6 = 3rd year of UK degree |
|  | Link to courses | <http://www.northumbria.ac.uk/?view=CourseList&alpha=A>  The availability of modules can change right up to the start of the semester as modules are only confirmed at the beginning of the semester. Students should choose a minimum of 10 modules that they are interested in, and if they are choosing any design modules they will need to provide a portfolio along with their application.  Notes:  The mandatory EL0418 Colloquium on British Culture module is referring to fee‑paying Study Abroad students. If an exchange student would like to take the Colloquium module there is a fee of around £350.  It is no longer possible for exchange students to take single modules within  Photography and Fine Art. The Photography exchange is now run as one single  module which is worth 60 UK credits for the semester. It is based on the  Contemporary Photographic Practice Degree Programme which is highly  competitive.  Health Sciences and Education modules may be hard to get into.  The [BA Design for Industry](http://www.northumbria.ac.uk/sd/academic/scd/study/undergraduate/designforindustry/) is only available in semester 2 (September start) for semester and yearlong exchange due to the program structure, which unfortunately cannot accommodate single semester students. |
| Living | Accommodation | On-campus housing is available, please see:  [www.northumbria.ac.uk/brochure/facilities/acc/](http://www.northumbria.ac.uk/brochure/facilities/acc/)  For off-campus options go to: <https://www.northumbria.ac.uk/study-at-northumbria/accommodation/private-accommodation/> |
|  | Health insurance | The UK has a reciprocal health care agreement with Australia. The Medicare website outlines this: <http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/medicare/reciprocal-health-care-agreements>  Note: Please be aware that travel insurance is a compulsory requirement of an exchange program. |
|  | Living cost | The cost of living in Newcastle is among the lowest in the UK. The amount you will need depends on your lifestyle, but Northumbria estimates that the minimum amount required by a single student to cover basic living expenses (e.g. accommodation, heating, food) is around £820 per month in Newcastle.  For more information go to: <https://www.northumbria.ac.uk/international/fees-scholarships-discounts/> |
| Funding Opportunities | OS-HELP information | [OS-HELP Information page](http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/os-help)  <http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/os-help> |
|  | Link to scholarships page? | [All travel scholarships](http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/travel)  <<http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/travel>> |
| Useful information | Link to partner exchange page | <http://www.northumbria.ac.uk/brochure/international/studyandworkabroad/comingtonorthumbria/> |
|  | Visa | Exchange students need a visa to study in the UK.  You may require a Student Visitor visa (<https://www.gov.uk/study-visit-visa>) or a Tier 4 visa (<https://www.gov.uk/tier-4-general-visa>), depending on the length of your exchange program and your own individual requirements. Visit the UK Border Agency website to find out which visa you need: <http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/doineedvisa/>  In general, a Tier 4 visa is required for a yearlong exchange, and a student visitor visa is required for a semester-long exchange. However, please note that immigration requirements are subject to change. It is recommended that you visit <http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/visas-immigration/studying/> for the most updated information. |