

Three Steps to Select Classes at the University of Stirling

1. Look at the University of Stirling's list of classes at:

<https://portal.stir.ac.uk/calendar/calendar.jsp?view=visiting>

Please review this list of academic departments carefully, as some KU departments are represented in multiple Stirling departments, such as Biology (Aquaculture, Biological Sciences, Environmental Science), Business (Accounting & Finance, Business Management, Marketing) and Film (Film, Media and Journalism, Global Cinema).

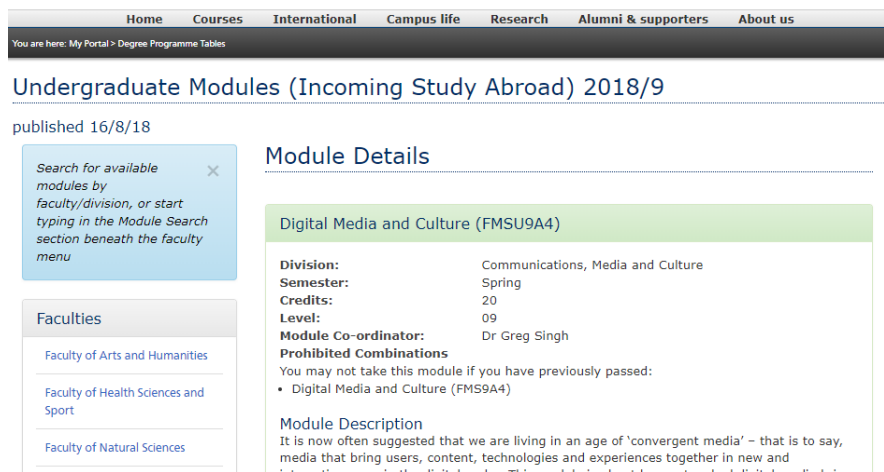
Please note that KU students are limited to only one introductory-level module (SCQF Level 8) per semester. Journalism and Film/Media classes are only available to students majoring in those subjects, and require students to have a 3.0 GPA to enroll in those classes.

British universities use the term “module” to describe an individual class. The last digit in a module number will tell you which semester of the degree it is normally taken. Module numbers ending in a letter are taken during the final two years of the four-year Stirling undergraduate degree. It is the opinion of the KU Office of Study Abroad that first- and second-year Stirling modules (SCQF Levels 08 and 09, respectively) are the equivalent of 100- and 200-level KU credit; third- and fourth-year Stirling modules (SCQF Level 10) are the equivalent of 300-level to 500-level KU credit. **EACH KU ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT** makes its own determination of appropriate KU credit, and is within its rights to approve credit differently than per these suggestions.

Catalog screenshot: Be sure to check which semester the class is taught. This course is worth 5 KU credits (20 SCQF credits), and is a Level 09 class, which is normally taken by Stirling students in the second year of their four-year degree.

Nearly all modules at Stirling will be worth 20 SCQF credits (5 KU credits), while a small number of production modules in the Department of Film and

Media Studies will be worth 40 SCQF credits (10 KU credits). A normal full-load semester in Stirling consists of 60 SCQF credits total (15 KU credits). For most KU students, a semester at Stirling will consist of three classes, worth five KU credits each.



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Faculties

- Faculty of Arts and Humanities
- Faculty of Health Sciences and Sport
- Faculty of Natural Sciences

Module Details

Digital Media and Culture (FMSU9A4)

Division: Communications, Media and Culture
Semester: Spring
Credits: 20
Level: 09
Module Co-ordinator: Dr Greg Singh

Prohibited Combinations
You may not take this module if you have previously passed:

- Digital Media and Culture (FMS9A4)

Module Description
It is now often suggested that we are living in an age of 'convergent media' - that is to say, media that bring users, content, technologies and experiences together in new and interesting ways in the digital realm. This module is about how embedded digital media helps...

You may find that the relevant KU department will need to approve Stirling modules as one three-credit KU class with an additional two-credit (or more) class. You can find examples of this on the Stirling/Kansas course equivalency list in the next section of this document.

2. Learn about Stirling course equivalencies at:

<http://studyabroad.ku.edu/course-equivalencies>

Type “Stirling” in the search box to get a complete list of courses at the University of Stirling that are currently pre-approved for KU credit and courses that were approved for KU students in the past. Clicking on the “Download to Excel” button after executing your search will provide additional details on the courses, such as which semester the course has been offered in the past.

Bear in mind that this list has “possible equivalency” and “approved equivalency” courses listed. “Possible equivalency” does not grant automatic approval for you. You will need to get this type of Stirling course approved for yourself, just as you will for Stirling courses that do not appear in the course database. Modules are typically only offered once each academic year, so be sure to check the Stirling module catalog on-line (Step 1 of this document) to make sure a module you like on the list is available during the semester you are studying abroad. The course database is NOT A COMPLETE LIST of what you could take at Stirling. It is only a list of what KU students have gotten approved in the past.

If a module you found in the course database is not on the Stirling module catalog website, that module is either not being offered now, or is unavailable to study abroad students.

3. Bring course descriptions and/or syllabi for the Stirling modules you are interested in taking to the relevant KU faculty study abroad advisor. A list of these advisors can be found at:

<https://ku.studioabroad.com/?go=FacultyDeptAdvisorList>

Some advisors may require that you schedule an appointment. Some may need a few days to review your materials. Please start making arrangements to get modules approved as soon as you can, as the process can take some time. Be sure to bring along a copy of your ARTS form to assist the advisor. Be familiar with your degree’s requirements. The more prepared you are for meeting with an advisor, the easier it will be for the advisor to assist you.

The form that needs to be completed by the advisor is part of the KU on-line study abroad application. Copies can also be obtained from the OSA front desk. Ask for the Academic Plan and Approval Form.

It is always a good idea to get two or three alternate Stirling modules approved. Stirling’s semester timetables are not usually released until just before the start of a semester, so you may encounter timetable clashes upon your arrival in Stirling. Having some alternate modules already approved will make your Stirling module registration process much less stressful for you.