

Three Steps to Select Classes at Uppsala University

1. Look at Uppsala University's list of classes at:

<http://www.uu.se/en/admissions/exchange/course/list/>

You will want to set up multiple filters on the right side of the page to help you with your search.

Location: "Uppsala"

Semester and period: Usually just the semester is sufficient. As you are fine-tuning your course selections, it may be helpful to target "Period 1" or "Period 2" to identify courses taught during the first- or second-half of the semester.

Level of studies: Undergraduates will want to avoid Second-cycle courses as these are graduate-level courses. "First cycle-Introductory Courses" generally assume little previous coursework in the field, while "First cycle-Continuing Courses" assume a student has a solid background in the subject, ready to tackle coursework at our Junior/Senior level.

Language of instruction: Make sure only "English" is selected.

Department: This is probably the most useful filter available. Department titles may vary compared to ours, so be sure to fully explore the options available in the pull-down menu.

Each course listing will indicate which weeks the course is taught, with the weeks being assigned numbers. While this will be a new system to most KU students, it is used quite a lot in Sweden ("We are planning to visit Oslo for the second part of Week 23"), so getting familiar with the week numbering system will be beneficial both to help with picking classes, and with day-to-day activities once in Sweden. A calendar with the weeks' numbers included can be found at:

<http://www.timeanddate.com/calendar/?year=2018&country=21>

Normally students in Uppsala are only taking one or two classes at a time. For some students this can mean taking four classes worth four KU credits each for one month each. In some departments you may take two courses at the same time, taught over two months instead of one month, with each class being taught at 50% of full-time status (2 classes @ 50% each = 100%). The goal is to find courses that will keep you at 100% enrollment for the duration of your semester in Uppsala. You can find some good information on navigating this very different timetabling system at:

<http://www.uu.se/en/admissions/exchange/course/mapping/>

Courses at Uppsala will generally be worth 7.5 or 15 ECTS credits, with a normal full-load semester consisting of 30 credits total. Here is how Uppsala credits convert to Kansas credits:

Uppsala	Kansas
30	15
15	7.5
7.5	4

It is the opinion of the KU Office of Study Abroad that “First cycle-Introductory Courses” at Uppsala are the equivalent of 100- and 200-level KU credit; “First cycle-Continuing Courses” at Uppsala are the equivalent of Junior/Senior-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.

2. Learn about Uppsala course equivalencies at:

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

Type “Uppsala” in the search box to get a complete list of courses at Uppsala University 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 Uppsala course approved for yourself, just as you will for Uppsala courses that do not appear in the course database. Modules are only offered once each academic year, so be sure to check the Uppsala 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 Uppsala. 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 Uppsala 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 Uppsala 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 KU advising report 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 classes approved. Occasionally there can be courses that are cancelled just before the start of a semester, so you may encounter a timetable gap or clash upon your arrival in Uppsala. Having some alternate classes already approved will make your Uppsala course registration process much less stressful for you.