

EXCHANGE STUDIES

SPRING SEMESTER 2025



STUDY PROGRAMME: DMODE23h



THE SWEDISH SCHOOL
OF TEXTILES
UNIVERSITY OF BORÅS

Introduction

In this document, you will find information about relevant study destinations, carefully selected according to your study programme. Please, bear in mind information and course offerings might change and that it is your Assistant Head of Department who decides whether courses can be credited or not.

In terms of available places, this number represents the total number of sending students per academic year and might include other study programmes besides your own.

Please note that applicants in Fashion Design or Textile Design to one of our partner universities never can be guaranteed admission since the number of placements tend to be limited and selection usually are made based on applicant's individual portfolio.

Partner universities will be presented in following order;

Erasmus+ agreements

- Austria, University of Art and Design Linz
- Denmark, Designskolen Kolding
- Denmark, Royal Danish Academy
- Germany, Weissenhof School of Art and Design Berlin
- Lithuania, Vilnius Academy of Arts
- The Netherlands, Amsterdam Fashion Institute
- The Netherlands, Royal Academy of Art the Hague
- Spain, ELISAVA Barcelona School of Design and Engineering

Bilateral agreements

- Australia/Vietnam, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
- Hong Kong, Hong Kong Design Institute
- United Kingdom, University of Southampton*

**The University of Borås might be able to offer students with planned studies in the United Kingdom spring semester 2025 an Erasmus+ grant.*

Further information on exchange studies can be found on our website, www.hb.se/utbytesstudier or www.hb.se/en/studyabroad

In case of questions, feel welcome to contact the International Office at exchange@hb.se

Happy reading!

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Austria

University of Art and Design Linz

“The University of Art and Design Linz (Kunstuniversität Linz) has its institutional and programmatic roots in the “Kunstschule” (Art School) of the City of Linz, which was founded in 1947, assigned academy status in 1973 and finally made a fully-fledged university in 1998. The institution was conceived as an explicit statement to signify dissociation from the previous art policy of the National Socialist era. This is in particular exemplified by its emphasis on the fundamental values of freedom of art and research, its commitment to modernism and contemporary art and the positioning of the University at the interface of free-artistic and applied-economically oriented design. In the past as in the present, these values form the basis of the fundamental essence and identity of Kunstuniversität Linz.”¹

Exchange students from Borås access courses at the department *Fashion & Technology*. Courses are part of either 2nd or 6th semester of Linz BA programme. One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

Although there is no requirement in German language knowledge, students are recommended to have some basic knowledge prior their exchange.

Number of places: 2 students per academic year
1 placement is dedicated to DMODE

Academic Calendar 2023/2024

- Semester 1: 3 October 2023 – 31 January 2024
- Semester 2: 1 March 2024 – 30 June 2024

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)
[Course Catalogue](#)

¹ Linz Website [Accessed 26 November 2020]

Denmark

Designskolen Kolding

“DK is rooted in the Danish cultural heritage and tradition of Danish Design. Our school is known for being anti-hierarchical, founded in humanism and focusing on design that is meaningful. We respect the raw material entailed in each student and staff member and value dialogue, equality and diversity. The school’s approach to teaching is that we don’t provide the answer. We discover it together.

DK has university status. We offer an academic setting that comprises a number of recognized researchers focusing on the emergent research field of design and a growing output of PhD projects. At the same time, we value professional practice and give priority to offering excellent workshop conditions enabling our students to work with the materials on a 1:1 scale.”²

Exchange students from Borås access courses in *Fashion and Textile Design*. For Fashion Design, spring semester 2024 consisted of Collection and Production (20 ECTS) and Function, Form and Aesthetics (10 ECTS). One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

Number of places: 2 students per academic year
1 place is dedicated to DMODE

Academic Calendar 2023/2024:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 15 January 2024 – 30 June 2024

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

² Welcome to Design School Kolding (DK), published on website [Accessed 4 December 2019]

Denmark

Royal Danish Academy

“The Royal Danish Academy – Architecture, Design, Conservation, was founded in 2011 on the basis of a merger between the Academy’s School of Architecture, the Danish Design School and the Academy’s School of Conservation. Today KADK have approx. 2,000 students on our Bachelor, Master’s, PhD and continuing education programmes.”

“The Royal Danish Academy – Architecture, Design, Conservation unites three fields of knowledge: academic research, artistic research and professional practice as three different ways to discover, invent and create”.³

Exchange students from Borås are recommended to apply to the Product+ modules. For spring semester 2024, the semester consisted of Strategic Design and Collaboration with Companies (10 ECTS), Identity and Interaction (15 ECTS), and Perception and Analysis (5 ECTS). One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

Number of places: 1 student per academic year

Academic Calendar 2022/2023:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 1 February 2022 – 30 June 2022

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

[Course Catalogue](#)

³ KADK website [Accessed 20 October 2020]

Germany

Weissensee School of Art and Design Berlin

“The weißensee academy of art berlin is one of a kind. The foundation for its combination of theory and practice in the curriculum was laid more than 50 years ago and is just as relevant today.”⁴

Exchange students will enroll in courses together with undergraduate students from Fashion Design. The primary language of instruction at Weissensee is German, but the teaching staff have international experiences and tuition held in English if necessary. One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

Number of places: 2 students per academic year
1 place is dedicated to DMODE

Academic Calendar 2023/2024:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 15 April 2024 – 19 July 2024

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

⁴ Weissensee website [Accessed 5 December]

Lithuania

Vilnius Academy of Arts

"Vilnius Academy of Arts (VDA) is a State University of the Republic of Lithuania, that offers study programmes in all three study cycles in the areas of art, design, architecture, and art theory and history. The Academy consists of four campuses, situated in the cities of Vilnius, Kaunas, Klaipėda and Telšiai, with a total of over 1800 students."

Exchange students from Borås will select course in Fashion Design BA at the Faculty of Vilnius. One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

Although the main language of instruction is Lithuanian, it is clarified that the fashion design courses involves a lot of individual tutoring and mostly taught in mixed groups where exchange students get their assignments and comments in English. Courses taught entirely in Lithuanian is not listed in the course catalogue. Students can also add elective courses to create an individual study plan based on their own preferences.

Number of places: 1 student per academic year
The place is dedicated to DMODE

Academic Calendar 2024/2025:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: February – end of May

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

[Course Catalogue](#)

The Netherlands

Amsterdam Fashion Institute

"Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences (AUAS) students are immersed in Amsterdam during their studies. This bustling cosmopolitan city, and capital of the Netherlands, is home to people from 181 nations and English is widely spoken. Amsterdam is an international business hub, renowned as a hotbed of education and research in all conceivable areas: culture and society, trade, logistics, aviation, shipping, information technology, sports, healthcare and more."

AMFI – Amsterdam Fashion Institute students explore the fashion world through the prism of three key dimensions: design, management and branding. AMFI is located along the Amstel river on the Mauritskade. The historic building once housed the Amstel Brewery and maintains many of its monumental features. The Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences (AUAS) is within bicycling distance of the historic city center, as well as popular places such as De Pijp, the Vondelpark and the Westergasfabriek."⁵

Students from DMODE are likely to apply the exchange programme *Studio*. One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

Number of places: 2 students per academic year

Academic Calendar 2023/2024:

- Semester 1: 4 September 2023 – 4 February 2024
- Semester 2: 5 February 2024 – 5 July 2024

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

[Course Catalogue](#) (Chose 'Studio')

⁵ AMFI website [Accessed 5 November 2019]

The Netherlands

Royal Academy of Art the Hague

“The Royal Academy of Art, The Hague (KABK) has been a leader in educating artists and designers since 1682. Highly skilled professional staff with international professional practices, guide and accompany students through their studies.

The academy building at Prinsessegracht 4 occupies 18,000m² and houses all of the academy’s departments and facilities. There are many different spaces at the staff and students’ disposal, including state-of-the-art workshops, a library, beautiful Galleries and an auditorium that seats 150 people.”⁶

Admitted students are accepted to either the 2nd or 3rd year based on their portfolio. One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

Number of places: 1 student per academic year

Academic Calendar 2024/2025:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: February – June/July

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

⁶ KABK website [Accessed 4 December 2019]

Spain

ELISAVA Barcelona School of Design and Engineering

“Elisava, Barcelona School of Design and Engineering of the Universitat de Vic – Universitat Central de Catalunya (UVic-UCC), fourth best Catalan university and sixth in Spain, promotes education, knowledge and research in the fields of design, industrial design engineering and communication.”⁷

Exchange students will integrate with students of ELISAVA in elective subjects taking place during the 4th semester, focusing on Design (graphic, product, interior and interaction design specialities) and Industrial Design Engineering (design and materials, development and simulation, and management and data specialities). One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS.

The primary language of instruction at ELISAVA is Spanish, but the teaching staff have international experiences and tuition held in English if necessary. Incoming exchange students are recommended to have basic knowledge of Spanish language before starting their exchange studies at ELISAVA.

Number of places: 1 student per academic year

Academic Calendar 2024/2025:

- Semester 1: mid-September – mid-February
- Semester 2: mid-February – end-June

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

[Undergraduate Degree in Design and Innovation](#)

⁷ ELISAVA website [Accessed 25 May 2023]

Australia/Vietnam

Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology

“RMIT has three campuses and two sites in Australia, two campuses in Vietnam and a research and industry collaboration in Spain.

Melbourne City Campus is located in the cosmopolitan heart of the “world’s most liveable city” and is surrounded by public transport, restaurants, cafes, theatres, galleries and parks. Our City Campus has 45,000 students studying in across all major interest areas. The campus has been an integral part of Melbourne’s character for more than one hundred years.

RMIT Vietnam was established in 2000 and has grown into a leading university in the region, with two well-equipped campuses in Ho Chi Minh City and Hanoi. The programs and courses we offer are identical to those offered at RMIT University, Melbourne. We have over 7,000 students enrolled at our two Vietnam campuses, with numbers steadily increasing.”⁸

Students from Borås interested to do an exchange semester at RMIT may choose to study at RMIT, either in Australia or Vietnam. One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 48 credits points at RMIT.

Examples of courses that previous students have studied are:

- Fashion Consumer Insights (12 credits)
- Fashion Sustainability Compliance (12 credits)
- Fashion, Textiles, Place and Story (12 credits)
- Pattern Cutting for Production (12 credits)

Number of places: 4 students per academic year (regardless campus of choice)
1 place is dedicated to DMODE

RMIT Australia

Academic Calendar 2023/2024:

- Semester 1: 17 July 2023 – 10 November 2023
- Semester 2: 4 March 2024 – 28 June 2024

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)
[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
[Course Catalogue](#) (Search for ‘Fashion’)

RMIT Vietnam

Academic Calendar 2023:

- Semester 1: 6 March 2023 – 10 June 2023
- Semester 2: June 2023 – October 2023
- Semester 3 October 2023 – January 2024

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)
[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
[Course Catalogue](#) (Search for ‘Fashion’)

⁸ RMIT Website [Accessed 7 January 2021]

Hong Kong

Hong Kong Design Institute

“The Hong Kong Design Institute (HKDI) is a leading design institution under the VTC Group. It provides high-quality education to cultivate knowledge and professionalism, and produces emerging talents who underpin the creative industries in Hong Kong.

With years of experience in design education, HKDI brings together the strengths of four design departments – Architecture, Interior and Product Design, Communication Design and Digital Media, Design Foundation Studies and Fashion and Image Design – to offer 20 design programmes.

HKDI adopts a “think-and-do” approach through its contemporary curriculum and active collaborations with local and international academic and industry partners.”⁹

Exchange students from Borås access courses from the 5th semester of the study programme *Higher Diploma in Fashion Design*.

One academic semester of full time studies at HKDI corresponds to 57-88 QF, dependent on the study programme, and shall not exceed 91 QF.

Examples of courses that previous students have studied are:

- Cultural Studies (15 QF credits)
- Fashion Design Project (11 QF credits)
- Textile Design Studio (11 QF credits)

Number of places: 1 student per academic year
The place is dedicated to DMODE

Academic Calendar 2023/2024:

- Semester 1: September 2023 – 2024
- Semester 2: January 2024 – May 2024

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#)

[Course Catalogue \(Higher Diploma in Fashion Design\)](#)

⁹ HKDI website [Accessed 4 June 2020]

United Kingdom

University of Southampton - Winchester School of Art

“Winchester School of Art has an established history of almost 150 years with a long tradition of creative education and excellence while developing a future-facing and dynamic environment for teaching, learning and research. A highly contemporary and distinctive outlook ensures that WSA can meet the challenges of our creative future as well as addressing the challenges of today.

Winchester is a wonderful city in which to study. Close to the south coast, it has great historical significance but is also modern and vibrant, with a diverse cultural life. You will find an independent cinema, two theatres, live music venues, galleries, good sports facilities and excellent restaurants and pubs. There is a strong creative community in the city and public art by artists such as Anthony Gormley and Elisabeth Frink are on display.

All year round Winchester hosts a wide range of festivals with themes including comedy, music, film, literature, arts, food and drink, as well as the internationally famous summer Hat Fair and the Christmas Market at the Cathedral.

It takes just over an hour to get from Winchester to London by train and we are only 12 miles from busy Southampton and the main University campus. Winchester city centre, railway station, bus station and halls of residence are all only a 10 minute walk from our campus.”¹⁰

Winchester School of Art is part of University of Southampton. Exchange students from Borås access courses within *BA Fashion Design*. One academic semester of full time studies correspond to 30 ECTS /60 CATS.

Exchange students from Borås part of a study programme that does not have English as the primary language of instruction must be able to demonstrate they meet Southampton’s requirements of English language proficiency by uploading any of the documents presented on their website. Students in Fashion Design from Borås are exempted from this.

Number of places: 4 exchange students per academic year
1 place is dedicated to DMODE (cannot be guaranteed for 2025)

Academic Calendar 2024/2025:

- Semester 1: 23 September 2024 – 25 January 2025
- Semester 2: 27 January 2025– 15 June 2025

Useful Links:

[University Webpage](#) (University of Southampton)

[University Webpage](#) (Winchester School of Art)

[University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

[Fashion Design \(BA\)](#)

[English Language Proficiency](#)

¹⁰ WSA website [Accessed 5 December 2019]