



WELCOME TO KARLSTAD UNIVERSITY

Karlstad University – *we challenge the known and explore the unknown.*

Our ambition is to contribute to the development of knowledge at international, regional and individual levels. Thanks to our openness, creativity and multi-disciplinary approach, we have already attained a significant level of academic achievement. All our education and research is underpinned by a close dialogue with private companies and public organisations. We can also offer one of the most inspirational university environments in the country.

Key Facts

- **19,000** students.
- **265** doctoral students
- **1,300** staff members.
- **250** exchange students yearly

Term/Semester dates

Autumn semester: Late August to mid-January
Spring semester: Mid-January to early June

The Introduction Week starts one week before the official start of the semester.

More information: [Academic Calendar](#)



Main Website: www.kau.se/en

Website for exchange students: www.kau.se/in

Instagram [@karlstadsuniversitet](https://www.instagram.com/karlstadsuniversitet)

YouTube [@karlstadsuniversitet](https://www.youtube.com/karlstadsuniversitet)

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Erasmus Code: S KARLSTA01

Application Process

For a student to be able to apply, our partner universities must first nominate their students. Information about this is sent to all partner universities before the deadline. When the student has been nominated instructions on how and where to apply will be sent directly to the student.

[Information for exchange students](#)

Course Application Deadlines

15th April for autumn semester applicants
15th October for spring semester applicants

Language of Study

Students need to possess English skills equivalent to TOEFL test result, minimum score 213 (CBT), 575 (PBT) or 90 (IBT) or an IELTS test result with an overall band score of minimum 6.5 and no band score below 5.5, or B2 in the Common European Framework Reference (CEFR).

Karlstad University usually offers Swedish language courses for exchange students.

Course Catalogue: [Exchange Students Courses](#)

Credits

Modules are credited in ECTS (European Credit Transfer System). The ECTS protocol allocates 60 credits to a full academic year's work, and 30 credits to a semester's work.

Grading system

In most faculties and disciplines the grades awarded are:

VG = Pass with distinction

G = Pass

U = Fail

More information: [Grading System](#)

Accommodation

Karlstad University help all exchange students with accommodation. All rooms are furnished and have their own toilet and shower. Shared kitchen is standard. More information will be given together with the application information in October/March.



THE CITY OF KARLSTAD

Karlstad, the county town of Värmland, is situated in a delta on the northern shore of Lake Vänern where the river Klarälven branches into many arms before flowing into Lake Vänern.

The city has about 100,000 inhabitants and lies at the heart of Scandinavia with Gothenburg, Stockholm, Copenhagen and Oslo within easy reach. It offers the pleasures of a small town and yet has the facilities of a city.

Karlstad has excellent communications both by road, rail and air.

Karlstad is home to many high-expertise companies and the town is one of Scandinavia's main centres for consultants in the tele and data communications industry.

The city is also a research and development centre for machinery used in the pulp, paper and process industries.

From the recreational viewpoint, Karlstad has a lot to offer, from outdoor activities and sports to culture and entertainment.

Discover more about Värmland and Karlstad

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