Universität Zürich[UZH]

Faculty of Business, Economics and Informatics

Factsheet for international incoming students

2026/2027

Important information at a glance

Academic Information

Course Catalogue
The course catalogue provides important information about the course, including general course descriptions, course dates, class rooms and exam dates.

Module Booking in Three Steps
1. Search and select in the course catalogue.
2. Book or request in the student portal (login required) at "Noted Items & Module Booking".
3. Review and modify in the student portal at "My Modules".

Seminars are modules with a limited number of participants and special entry requirements. Students should always check the course catalogue and the website of the professor for more information. Students should book modules according to their level of studies. Students may choose to enroll in two courses offered by other faculties or ETH. Information on the module booking tool, the module booking period and more useful information about the process is available at the following website.

ECTS Credits
1 ECTS credit is equivalent to a workload of 30 hours (including attendance in courses, self-study, preparing for and taking examinations). Fulltime studies correspond to 30 ECTS credits per semester.

Language Requirements
Students should be able to prove proficiency – at least level B2 of the Common European Framework (CEFR) – in either German or English, depending on the language of instruction in their classes. It is primarily the partner universities' responsibility to nominate students with appropriate language skills.

Language Courses
Students can participate in an intensive German course that takes place two weeks before the beginning of the semester. Other courses are offered during the semester. The application deadlines are binding and the number of participants is limited. For more information, check out the Language Center.

Grading System
Examination results at UZH are evaluated with grades from 1 to 6. Quarter grades are permitted. The grades have the following meanings:

UZH grades	*meaning*
6.00	excellent
5.50	very good
5.00	good
4.50	satisfactory
4.00	sufficient
< 4.00	fail

Transcript of Records in English and German
After the end of the exchange semester, the official transcript of records is electronically available in the student portal and can be downloaded as a PDF by the students themselves. It is available in German and English. To our partner universities, we send hard-copies of the transcript of records only on request.

Staying in Zurich

Insurance
Health insurance is compulsory for anyone staying in Switzerland longer than three months. Students from an EU member state who are legally insured in their home country can apply for exemption from this obligation using the European Health Card or a provisional certificate issued by the health insurance company in their home country.

Accommodation
The University of Zurich does not provide student dormitories on campus. However, the Global Student Experience Office may be able to help students find accommodation. For more information, visit the following website.

The following agencies also help students find accommodation:
- Housing Office of the University of Zurich and ETH Zurich
- Woko Student Housing Cooperative

Living costs
Approximate figures (in CHF, per month)
Study (tuition fees, learning materials): CHF 250
Food (eating out and eating at home): CHF 450
Travel (public transportation, bike, car): CHF 95
Insurance (health and social insurances): CHF 200
Housing (rent, heating and energy costs): CHF 910
Money in reserve (taxes): CHF 25
Personal (clothing, hygiene, leisure): CHF 270
Total: approx. CHF 2,200
More information

Academic Calender

	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Nomination Deadline	15 March 2026 (non-Europe students) 15 April 2026 (Europe students)	15 September 2026
Application Deadline	30 March 2026 (non-Europe students) 30 April 2026 (Europe students)	30 September 2026
Beginning of classes	14 September 2026	22 February 2027
Welcome Event	14 September 2026	22 February 2027
End of classes	19 December 2026	4 June 2027
Exam period	December: cw 51 / January: cw 2-3	June: cw 23-25
Module booking period	12 Aug - 6 Oct 2026	20 Jan - 16 March 2027

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