

# *Exchange studies* spring 2027

Study programme:  
*DMODE25h*



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## Introduction

In this document, you will find information about relevant study destinations, carefully selected based on your study program. Please bear in mind that information and course offerings may change, and your Assistant Head of Department will decide whether courses can be credited or not.

Partner universities will be presented in following order:

### Erasmus+ agreements

- Austria, University of Art and Design Linz
- Denmark, Designskolen Kolding
- Denmark, Royal Danish Academy
- Finland, Aalto Universtiy
- France, École Nationale Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs (in French only)
- Germany, Universität der Künste Berlin
- Germany, Weissensee School of Art and Design Berlin
- Italy, Politecnico di Milano (in Italian only)
- 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, Manchester Metropolitan University\*
- United Kingdom, University of Southampton\*

\*The University of Borås may be able to offer students with planned studies in the United Kingdom during spring semester 2027 an Erasmus+ grant.

Further information on exchange studies can be found on our website, [www.hb.se/utbytesstudier](http://www.hb.se/utbytesstudier) or [www.hb.se/en/studyabroad](http://www.hb.se/en/studyabroad)

In case of questions, feel welcome to contact the International Office at [exchange@hb.se](mailto:exchange@hb.se)

Happy reading!

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# *Erasmus+ exchange agreements*

Partner universities  
*within EU/EAA.*

*Erasmus+ is an EU  
programme that enables  
higher education students  
to study at other European  
universities with a grant.*

## 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.”<sup>1</sup>*

Exchange students from Borås will enrol in courses part of the department *Fashion & Technology*. The courses are part of either the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> semester of the Linz BA programme.

Although German language knowledge is not required, students are recommended to have some basic knowledge before their exchange

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 2 students per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: beginning of March 2026 – end of June 2026

#### Useful Links:

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

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<sup>1</sup> Linz website [Accessed 26 November 2020]

## Denmark

### Designskolen Kolding

*“Kolding School of Design has around 400 students and enjoys international recognition as a design university where students can work with tools, techniques, concepts and methods in an international environment and with easy access to good workshop facilities.”<sup>2</sup>*

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 2 students per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 26 January 2025 – 30 June 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

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<sup>2</sup> Designskolen Kolding website [Accessed 19 February 2025]

## Denmark

### Royal Danish Academy

*“The Royal Danish Academy - Architecture, Design, Conservation is a higher education institution under the aegis of the Ministry of Higher Education and Science. A Rector, within the framework laid down by the Board, carries out the day-to-day management. The institution provides 3 main areas of education: architecture, design and conservation, spread across 6 departments.”<sup>3</sup>*

Exchange students from Borås will apply for modules that are part of the Product+ programme within BA Design.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Courses previous students have studied:

- Strategic Design and Company Collaboration (10 ECTS)
- Perception and Analyse (5 ECTS)
- LAB (5 ECTS)
- Project (10 ECTS)

#### Number of places:

- 1 student per academic year

#### Academic Calendar 2024/2025:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 3 February 2025– 14 July 2025

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
- [Course Catalogue](#)

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<sup>3</sup> KADK website [Accessed 19 February 2025]

## Finland

### Aalto University

*“Aalto University was founded in 2010 as Helsinki University of Technology, the Helsinki School of Economics and the University of Art and Design Helsinki were merged. Today, Aalto University consists of six schools with nearly 20 000 students in total. The main campus is located in Otaniemi in Espoo, Finland. One campus is in the city of Mikkeli.*

*The School of Arts, Design and Architecture began operating on 1 January 2012 when the School of Art and Design and the Department of Architecture at the School of Engineering merged together.*

*The school is the largest of its kind in the Nordic countries, and one of the most prestigious ones in the whole world. The areas of research in the field of arts and design include design, digital media, audio-visual representation, art education and visual culture. The viewpoint of usefulness forms the foundation of artistic activity.”<sup>4</sup>*

Exchange students from Borås will enrol in courses part of the bachelor’s programme in Design and Fashion – major in Fashion.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 2 students per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 5 January 2026 – 5 June 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
- [Course Catalogue](#)

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<sup>4</sup> Aalto website [Accessed 16 March 2026]

## France

### École Nationale Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs (in French only)

*“The École des Arts Décoratifs, which has been a wellspring of intellectual, creative and artistic blossoming for over 250 years, aims to give the future generations of artists and designers the tools they need to shape and create the visual scenery of tomorrow’s world.*

*Every year, over 800 creators working in one of 10 departments (Art-Space, Interior Architecture, Animation, Graphic Design, Product Design, Textile and Texture Design, Fashion Design, Printed Image, Photography/Video, Stage Design) strive to create the tangible, visual and imaginary environment of our world and to reflect on the transformations of the societal and artistic landscape.*

*Its unique teaching method, outward looking attitude and remarkable research department place the École des Arts Décoratifs among the few leading art, design and fashion schools.”<sup>5</sup>*

**IMPORTANT NOTE!** Students must be fluent in French, as the language of instruction is French. No courses are offered in English.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Courses previous students have studied:

- Visual Communication (2 ECTS)
- Creation and Material (2 ECTS)
- Drawing (2 ECTS)
- Experimentation with the material paper (3 ECTS)
- Knitting (2 ECTS)
- Draping (2 ECTS)
- Watercolour (2 ECTS)
- Personal Project Erasmus (13 ECTS)
- Textile Manipulation (2 ECTS)

#### Number of places:

- 1 student per academic year, of which the place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 2 February 2026 – 29 May 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

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<sup>5</sup> ENSAD website [accessed 10 April 2025]

## Germany

### Weissensee School of Art and Design Berlin

*“The weissensee school of art and design berlin was founded in 1946 as an alternative to the traditional art academy. Building on the ideas and teaching of the Bauhaus movement, the school of art and design stands out because of its unique profile. It offers more than 800 students from Germany and abroad a one-year, interdisciplinary course of foundation studies. These basics in art and design are followed by diploma studies in free art as well as bachelor and master’s degrees in design.”<sup>6</sup>*

Exchange students will enrol in courses alongside undergraduate students from Fashion Design. The primary language of instruction at Weissensee is German, but the teaching staff have international experience, and tuition is held in English if necessary.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 2 students per academic year, of which 1 place are reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: 7 April 2026 – 10 July 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

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<sup>6</sup> Weissensee website [Accessed 19 February 2025]

## Italy

### Politecnico di Milano

*“Politecnico di Milano is a public scientific-technological university which trains engineers, architects and industrial designers. The University has always focused on the quality and innovation of its teaching and research, developing a fruitful relationship with business and productive world by means of experimental research and technological transfer. It also wants to be a solid, recognisable and reliable reference point for sustainable development in Italy and Europe.”<sup>7</sup>*

Exchange students from Borås will enrol in courses part of the bachelor’s programme in Fashion Design.

**IMPORTANT NOTE!** Students must be fluent in Italian, as the language of instruction is Italian. Although some courses may be offered in English or with English support, students cannot apply to POLIMI without knowledge of Italian (minimum recommended level: B1).

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 1 student per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: end of January 2026 – July 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
- [Course Catalogue](#)

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<sup>7</sup> POLIMI website [Accessed 17 March 2026]

## 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."*<sup>8</sup>

Exchange students from Borås will select courses in the Fashion Design BA at the Faculty of Vilnius.

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

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 1 student per academic year, of which the place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

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

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
- [Course Catalogue](#)

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<sup>8</sup> Vilnius Academy of Arts website [Accessed 19 February 2025]

## The Netherlands

### Amsterdam Fashion Institute

*”AMFI is a future driven fashion institute, with our team of 100 expert fashion lecturers, we coach over 1.250 students each year on all aspects of fashion. Students are taught to understand the entire fashion chain and their specific discipline in a wider perspective. We train students to become the shapers of a future-proof fashion industry; high-end professionals within a changing industry.”<sup>9</sup>*

Amsterdam Fashion Institute is part of Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences.

Exchange students from DMDOE are likely to apply the exchange programme Studio, but the programmes at AMFI change frequently.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 4 students per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: 1 September 2025 – 31 January 2026
- Semester 2: 2 February 2026 – 3 July 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [Amsterdam Fashion Institute](#)
- [Course Catalogue](#)

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<sup>9</sup> AMFI website [Accessed 25 February 2026]

## 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.*

*We believe in lifelong learning and offer a School for Young Talent, preparatory courses, bachelor's and master's degree programmes, and a PhD programme in collaboration with Leiden University. Together with the Royal Conservatoire we form the University of the Arts The Hague.”<sup>10</sup>*

Admitted exchange students are placed in either the 2nd or 3rd year of the BA programme in Textile and Fashion based on their portfolio.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 1 student per academic year

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: February 2026 – June/July 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)

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<sup>10</sup> KABK website [Accessed 19 February 2025]

## 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.”<sup>11</sup>*

Exchange students will integrate with ELISAVA students in elective subjects that are part of the *Bachelor in Design and Innovation*. Courses will be specialised in either Graphic Design, Product Design, Interior Design, or Interactive Experiences Design.

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

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS.

#### Number of places:

- 1 student per academic year

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: early-February 2026 – mid-June 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
- [Bachelor in Design and Innovation](#)

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<sup>11</sup> ELISAVA website [Accessed 25 May 2023]



# *Bilateral exchange agreements*

Partner universities  
*outside of EU/EAA.*

## 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. 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.”<sup>12</sup>*

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 corresponds to 48 credits at RMIT where each course represents 12 credits.

RMIT Vietnam has historically required students to purchase insurance costing 5,700,000 Đồng. Students should be aware that the visa fee to study in Australia increased to A\$1,600 as of 1 July 2024.

#### Courses previous students have studied:

- Fashion Bio Design (12 credits)
- Fashion Design Object and Space (12 credits)
- Fashion Communication Design (12 credits)
- Garment Design Industry Techniques (12 credits)

#### Number of places:

- 4 students per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for SGKTM (regardless campus of choice)

#### RMIT Australia

##### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: 21 July 2025 – 14 Nov 2025
- Semester 2: 2 Mar 2026 – 30 June 2026

##### Useful Links:

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

#### RMIT Vietnam

##### Academic Calendar 2026:

- Semester 1: March 2026 – June 2026
- Semester 2: June 2026 – Sep 2025
- Semester 3: Oct 2026 – Jan 2027

##### Useful Links:

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

<sup>12</sup> RMIT Website [Accessed 7 January 2021]

## Hong Kong

### Hong Kong Design Institute

*“Hong Kong Design Institute (HKDI), as one of the member institutions under the VTC Group, is one of the most influential design institutions in Hong Kong. It provides high-quality education to cultivate knowledge and professionalism, nurturing design talents to support Hong Kong’s creative industry development.”<sup>13</sup>*

*With years of experience in design education, HKDI brings together the strengths of its design departments - Architecture, Interior and Product Design, Communication Design, Digital Media and Fashion and Image Design - to provide over 20 full-time design programmes, preparing students for work-readiness with socially conscious solutions to meet the demand of the 21st century workplace.”<sup>13</sup>*

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 50-66 QF credits, dependent on the study programme.

#### Number of places:

- 1 student per academic year, of which the place is dedicated to DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: N/A
- Semester 2: January 2026 – May 2026

#### Useful Links:

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

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<sup>13</sup> HKDI website [Accessed 19 February 2025]

## United Kingdom

### Manchester Metropolitan University

*“Home to over 44,000 students, we are one of the UK’s largest and most popular universities, based in the heart of Manchester. Our campus offers state-of-the-art facilities and innovative teaching, combined with outstanding research and award-winning degree apprenticeships that help students thrive in their careers.”<sup>14</sup>*

Exchange students from DMODE can choose courses from any Fashion Design programme offered at the Manchester Fashion Institute.

For the spring semester 2026, the following courses were offered to incoming exchange students, each worth 15 ECTS/30 credits:

- Fashion: *Design Philosophy*

Thereafter, all exchange students would enrol in the course Fashion X (15 ECTS/30 credits), regardless of their programme choice. The course offering may change for the following academic year.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS/60 MMU Credits.

#### Number of places:

- 4 students per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: 29 September 2025 – 16 January 2026
- Semester 2: 26 January 2026 – 22 May 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#)
- [Manchester Fashion Institute](#)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
- [Course Catalogue](#)

Students going to United Kingdom in spring 2027 may get an *Erasmus+ grant*.

<sup>14</sup> MMU Website [accessed 10 April 2025]

## 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.*

*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.”<sup>15</sup>*

Exchange students from DMODE will enrol in courses part of *Fashion Design (BA)* at University of Southampton, Winchester School of Art.

One academic semester of full-time studies corresponds to 30 ECTS/60 CATS.

Starting from the spring semester 2027, Winchester School of Art will offer the following courses to incoming exchange students within Fashion Design (BA):

- [Fashion Industry](#) 15 ECTS
- [Broadening Sustainable Fashion Practice](#) 15 ECTS

#### Number of places:

- 4 students per academic year, of which 1 place is reserved for DMODE

#### Academic Calendar 2025/2026:

- Semester 1: 22 September 2025 – 24 January 2026
- Semester 2: 26 January 2026 – 13 June 2026

#### Useful Links:

- [University Webpage](#) (University of Southampton)
- [University Webpage](#) (Winchester School of Art)
- [University Webpage for Incoming Students](#)
- [Fashion Design \(BA\)](#)

Students going to United Kingdom in spring 2027 may get an *Erasmus+ grant*.

<sup>15</sup> WSA website [Accessed 5 December 2019]