Since 1495 the University of Aberdeen has been open to all and dedicated to the pursuit of truth in the service of others. We still have that purpose.

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Incoming Traineeships Information Sheet

General Information

Students interested in a traineeship are welcome to seek a suitable opportunity at the University of Aberdeen. However, the availability of a suitable and appropriate project is the responsibility of the applicant to identify and will be determined by departmental capacity and resource constraints. Incoming students who choose to undertake a traineeship at the University of Aberdeen are given ‘Visiting Student’ status for the duration of their programme. The Go Abroad team do not administer visiting students, nor hold any information regarding available traineeships, and so applicants should consider the details below in order to proceed with any application.

How to Apply

The first step is to contact the relevant department to identify whether an appropriate project and supervising academic is available. A full list of contact information for our departments and research institutes can be found here.

Successful students should then download and complete a Visiting Student application. This needs to be forwarded to your traineeship supervisor for approval and processing.

All related paperwork, for example your any Training Agreement, can be completed and signed by your traineeship supervisor at University of Aberdeen.

Accommodation

Visiting students are not guaranteed university-managed accommodation, but if there are still available rooms you are welcome to enquire by contacting our Accommodation Office.

If you are undertaking your Erasmus+ traineeship over the summer period when there is no undergraduate teaching, you may be able to apply for summer accommodation offered by the University.

Clinical Electives

For visiting undergraduate medical students, the University of Aberdeen offers a Clinical Electives programme for up to 8 weeks over the summer. Places are limited and offered on a first-come first-served basis.

More information