

Location

VU lies just south of the city center of Växjö, Sweden, in the southern lake district. A city of some 75,000, Växjö has excellent shopping, restaurants, cafés, and direct air access to Europe. You can also visit any location within Sweden directly from Växjö, whether by rail or bus. The city is a beautiful setting in which to live while you study.

The University

VU has a modern and new campus, with many buildings constructed in the last 10 years. VU is the second largest university in southern Sweden, with 14,000 students. VU is also one of Sweden's youngest universities, and all instruction is in English. Most students at VU are from Sweden, but the university has a large and growing international student population—nearly 400 international students attend the university each year. VU is known worldwide among students as a great place to study.

Course Options

VU has eight schools, comprising nearly 30 different fields of study, ranging from teacher training and psychology to international business and engineering. Nearly every student can find coursework of interest to them at VU. Not surprisingly, you can even take Swedish!

Accommodations & Meals

VU has many different accommodation options available to visiting international students, all either on campus or nearby. Student housing ranges from traditional dorms and apartments on campus, to homestays with a Swedish family. In addition to making your own meals or eating on campus, you have many excellent restaurants and other eateries to choose from in Växjö, with tempting selections ranging from traditional Swedish smorgasbord fare to many different varieties of international cuisine.

Eligibility & Application

Any full-time SDSU student at the sophomore level or above and in good academic standing may apply for the Växjö program. Students in any major may apply, but are encouraged to consult with their respective academic advisor before beginning the application process. There is no minimum GPA, but students with a 2.5 GPA or better are more likely to be accepted into the program. In addition to an application form, students are required to submit official transcripts, two letters of reference, and a written statement of purpose as part of the application process. Spaces are limited and admission to the program is competitive. Deadlines for application are March 15 for Fall semester or full-year admissions, and September 1 for Spring semester admissions.

Costs & Financial Aid

The cost of the SDSU-Växjö University program is approximately 10-15% higher than what you might pay to attend SDSU, depending upon housing and other choices (see the SDSU Office of International Affairs for a detailed budget breakdown). Students pay SDSU tuition and fees here, and pay for housing and meals in Sweden. Additional costs include international airfare, passport (and visa, for full-year students), and personal expenses, including additional travel. This program is eligible for state and federal financial aid. Please consult the SDSU Office of Financial Aid for details.

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