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A brief overview about principles as how our academic life is organised.

Becoming student at UT (1)
Academic year 2024/2025 starts on September 2, 2024

Before September 2 you already can

- receive login credentials to use various IT systems, sent by arvutiabi@ut.e (**degree seeking** non-EU students of English taught programmes need have **arrival registered** first; PhD students need to have their employment contract signed);

- sign up for courses in Study Information System (SIS). **Degree-seekers:** info at your first info-session;

- get an Estonian ID code from the Tartu's Welcome Centre. The students of Tallinn/Narva/Viljandi/Pärnu, please contact your Programme Director for further info. **Getting an Estonian ID code is obligatory!**

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Becoming student at UT (2)
Academic year 2024/2025 starts on September 2, 2024

As of September 2 you can

- be a student with full rights and obligations☺, attend courses etc;
- add your Estonian bank account number to SIS, if needed;
- update your profile info in SIS. **All students must update!**
- ask for student status confirmation from dean's office, if needed. Contacts HERE.

Becoming student at UT (3)

1) User account

➢ Entering UT **Study Information System** with UT username and password: guidelines are <u>here</u>.

2) UT e-mail aadress

➢ For all UT students in the format of *firstname.lastname@ut.ee*, created automatically.

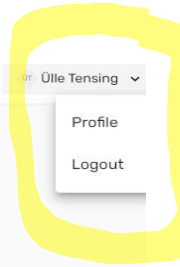# Study Information System-SIS/ÕIS

Course registration

New students have until **16.09.2024 (23:59)** to register to courses, as well as to cancel registrations.
There are exceptions, you can see exact registration deadline for each course in Study Information System (SIS/ÕIS).

Don't forget to cancel, if you are not going to take a course, others might be on waiting list!

Once the registration deadline is over, you cannot sign up
nor cancel yourself.

Who can help?
Please contact the study coordinator in your faculty;
find the contacts HERE.

Semester work-load 30 ECTS, academic year 60 ECTS

Degree-seeking students of I and II study level

- **Full-time studies: 75-100%** of the courses must be completed each academic year:
  - at least 45 ECTS by the end of the first, 90 ECTS by the end of the second year etc

- **Part-time studies: 50-75%** of the courses must be completed each academic year:
  - at least 30 ECTS by the end of the first; 60 ECTS by the end of the second year etc

- **Tuition waiver holders** (English taught curricula): no more than **6 ECTS** short from the required course load
  - 1st semester – 24 ECTS
  - 2nd semester – 54 ECTS
  - 3rd semester – 84 ECTS
  - …

Exchange students

- Minimum requirement set by UT: at least **15 ECTS** per semester (except PhD-s and trainees);

- On average **20-30 ECTS** per semester;

- Attending a course without completion does not award ECTS.

Important changes as of 2024/2025 for degree seeking students of I and II level

Two-year rule in case of exmatriculation. Students who get exmatriculated (student status terminated) can apply for rematriculation/re-entry to the same programme once **at least two years have passed since the exmatriculation**. One needs to wait for two years no matter what the case of exmatriculation – own initiative, insufficient academic progress or for any other reason. Also applies to fee-based study places. See more info [HERE](#)

Assessment

A course is considered completed after obtaining the positive result in the assessment of learning outcomes (exam/test/any other form of assignment).

The scales for the assessment of learning outcomes:

- differentiated (grades A, B, C, D, E, F);

- non-differentiated (pass/fail).

The assessment assigned to a course cannot be changed.

Exchange students

In case your home university accepts only differentiated assessment, it is important to know that the **result "pass" of non-differentiated assessment corresponds to the grade 'A'. It will be stated so on Transcript of Records.**

Proving student status

- There is no UT student card, no physical nor electronic, to prove your student status.

Students usually use ISIC card **(International Student Identity Card).** For instructions, please see **Arrival ABC**.

Fee payment for degree students

I semester payment is due 20 September.
II semester payment is due 20 March.
An invoice will be sent to your ut e-mail address.

Cash payments?

In the second year and onwards, payments are due by October 20 and March 20.

Tuition contracts for degree students

- Tuition-waiver holders receive these from the Admission's office.
- Fee-paying students from their institutes.

Everyone will be informed on what they need to do via e-mail.

When to expect the contracts and instructions?

Academic fraud

- What is considered academic fraud?

- What is plagiarism?

- What are the consequences of committing academic fraud at UT: **warning**, a **reprimand**, or be **exmatriculated**. More info HERE

Staying informed

Newsletter for Students

Our student newsletter arrives weekly, during the academic year, to every student Information System (SIS) and e-mail. The purpose of the letter is to inform student important study information and related topics.
Topics such as academic affairs, trainings, seminars, possibilities of studying abroad scholarships and allowances, internship and job possibilities are updated weekly.

For further information check out the newsletter topics.

- Newsletter
- Academic affairs
- Counselling Centre seminars
- Study abroad offers
- Scholarships and allowances

➢ Degree-seeking students via UT students' **newsletter**.

➢ Exchange students via international student list, used only for academic purposes.

➢ Info on a more urgent nature gets sent directly from the Study Information System.

➢ **NB!** It is important to read your @ut.ee mail in order not to miss any study-related information.

Useful sources for info

Getting Started for International Students	https://ut.ee/en/getting-started-international-students
Arrival ABC in Getting Started	https://ut.ee/et/arrival-abc
Study Information System - SIS	https://ois2.ut.ee/#/dashboard/new
Guidelines to use SIS	https://wiki.ut.ee/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=15606090
Course Registration	https://ut.ee/en/content/registration-courses
E-learner's handbook	https://eoppija.ut.ee/?lang=en
IT helpdesk	https://wiki.ut.ee/display/IT/Helpdesk

Enjoy your studies at UT

Thank you!