

Waseda Customised Study Programme at

The University of Brighton

Location: Moulsecoomb Campus, University of Brighton, the United Kingdom

Language Requirements:

IELTS: 6.0 with a minimum score of 5.5 in any component.

Cambridge: Higher intermediate to lower advanced - B2 First (FCE) 169 with no less than 162 in each component

Cambridge: Higher intermediate to lower advanced - C1 Advanced (CAE) 169 with no less than 162 in each component

Cambridge: Higher intermediate to lower advanced - C2 Proficiency (CPE) 180 with no less than 162 in each component

Trinity Integrated Skills in English (ISE) III (SELT): A minimum of Pass in all components.

PTE Academic SELT: Higher intermediate to lower advanced - 59 overall, with 59 in each component

TOEFL iBT centre-based test: Higher intermediate to lower advanced - 72 overall, 18 in writing, 10 in reading, 10 in listening and 17 in speaking

LanguageCert Academic SELT Exam: Higher intermediate to lower advanced – 65 overall with a minimum score of 60 in each component

Kaplan Test of English: Higher intermediate to lower advanced - Minimum 442 overall with all four components at 441

Dates:

The (provisional) date of international orientation (for the first term): 24-28th September 2026 (with a prior online orientation activity August/September 2026)

The date of registration (for the first term): 28th September 2026

Autumn Term: 28 September 2026 – 18 December 2026

Spring Term: 11 January 2027 – 19 March 2027

Summer Term: 12 April 2027 – 11 June 2027

Arrival day at the University of Brighton: (Provisionally) 24th September 2026

This date of arrival is an indicative, rather than compulsory, date acknowledging the possibility of participating in a free international students' induction/orientation programme. Well-established summer language courses are also available, based at the Brighton campus. Students wishing to enrol on the language courses would be separately invoiced, and would have to apply and make accommodation arrangements separate from the CS-R programme and procedures.

Available Students Number: 10 students

Application Deadline: March 2nd, 2026

Nationality: Enrolment is open to students of any nationality.

Required Student Level on Departure: Undergraduate: at least one semester completed.

GPA Requirements: 2.5

Application Documents:

Application form – this will be provided by the University of Brighton following initial nomination.

Copy of passport/ID (must be valid throughout your stay in UK)

Reference

Transcript of records

Summary:

Waseda students are registered in the School of Humanities and Social Science, providing students with a broad range of subjects to choose from in the humanities and social sciences from which they can build their individualized programmes. Multi- and interdisciplinary programmes of study are popular options in the critical social sciences and cultural studies. The modules in these programmes are underpinned by outstanding research and scholarship (the 2021 Research Excellence Framework confirmed the world-class level and international excellence of much of the work and output of these areas). Teaching and learning are also recognized as being of high quality in national league tables focussed on student experience. Modules in historical and philosophical studies and the history of (Western) ideas, and appropriate modules in design and cultural studies, have been particularly popular among Waseda students.

The university provides undergraduate students with small-group seminar teaching as well as large-group lectures, and tutorial back-up for essay-writing and assessment support. Tutors are accessible on a regular basis for individual tutorials relating to their modules, and the Brighton-Waseda academic coordinator has regular contact with CS-R students.

Academic Study:

Customized study programmes will be specifically designed to cater for the interests of the individual Waseda student. These are arranged in consultation with the student before arrival in the United Kingdom/Brighton. In a year-long study programme for a student with an interest in history, culture and fashion - referring to areas and foci of study rather than named modules - students might study academic skills and methods, aspects of British culture and history, fashion history and design, media and marketing, a specialist option of choice, and business skills and principles.

For more general detail, see:

URL for lists of courses available at the University of Brighton:

<https://www.brighton.ac.uk/courses/course-list.aspx>

Waseda students have specialized in literary studies, the social sciences, or cultural studies; they have mixed business studies with fashion history, political science, history of design with art practice. The essence of the Brighton-Waseda CS-R is personal choice and interest of the individual student, creating a unique learning experience in a special and ideal study environment.

Housing and Meal Plan:

All students are provided with university accommodation should they choose this option. This might be at one of the halls at a Brighton campus, at Phoenix Halls (close to Brighton seafront), or Moulsecoomb (where academic study is based). Individual study-bedrooms are generously spacious and en suite, and link to kitchen/dining provision for wings or blocks of (usually) 6 students. The kitchen/dining provision comprises extensive storage space for catering, in cupboards, refrigerators and freezers. The Halls at Moulsecoomb and central Brighton (Phoenix Halls) are situated in highly convenient locations; some of these may not include the catering service, in which case students live on a self-catering basis.

<https://www.brighton.ac.uk/accommodation-and-locations/university-accommodation/index.aspx>

Opportunities for Learning Through Experience:

Undergraduate life in the University of Brighton is not about formal study alone; students gain much from the experiential, the everyday, and the extra-curricular activities available. They enjoy a lively interactive environment, with numerous sporting associations and clubs focused upon a wide range of cultural and social activities. Waseda students have played volleyball for the university, danced in the university's dance society performances, supported the production of fashion shows, and worked in voluntary associations in the cultural and leisure industries, such as the local annual arts and film festivals. Some modules have introduced students into the community, in forms of volunteering and volunteer activity and community partnership, and in performance and theatre groups in Brighton. The city of Brighton & Hove is a cultural centre of the region, fashionable and bohemian, with countless cultural and social outlets. On the Brighton(Falmer) site, a new sports hall opened in October 2010.

The University of Brighton has many decades of experience in hosting international students and all Waseda students are encouraged to join field-trips to venues such as London, Oxford, and Stratford-upon-Avon as well as visits to selected cultural sites in Sussex and South-East England.

Facilitation Plan:

Waseda students will meet regularly with one of the Brighton-Waseda scheme co-ordinator (Dr Beatrice Hitchman), on at least a monthly basis; students can also make individual tutorials with module tutors/co-ordinators, in relation to academic progress and assessment matters. All university tutors have regular office hours in which appointments can be made for one-to-one consultations in person or online.

Credits (24-30 semester credit hours):

This raises no difficulty in relation to transfer of credit from Brighton to Waseda. A full-time student workload in a single semester normally comprises 12 teaching hours weekly (amounting to 60 credits), and a typical individual study program for one year of study would therefore comprise 120 credits, equating to Waseda's 24-30 credit model.

Cost:

The fee for 2026-2027 study abroad programme tuition has not been set yet. The below fee is for 2025-2026.

Tuition: GBP 16,300 + 開発費 / whole duration of the programme

Other mandatory fee: When applying for your visa you will be required to pay an immigration health surcharge of GBP 776.00 per year to be eligible for NHS treatment.

Estimated boarding expenses: GBP 900 / month depending on location of university accommodation.

Estimated food expenses: GBP 220 / month

Students pay an advance payment of two weeks rent to secure their accommodation and the remaining rent is paid to the university in three termly instalments.

Web Page:

Further detail is available about the university's sites and schools, on the University of Brighton website: <https://www.brighton.ac.uk/why-choose-brighton/index.aspx>

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