

2020-2021 International Student Project: Bachelor's programme in biology/molecular biology at Uppsala University (3+1 dual degree biology BSc), Uppsala University, Sweden.

Background: Since 2015, Biology Education Centre at Uppsala University admits a limited number of students from selected partner universities in China to the bachelor's programme in Biology/Molecular biology. Admitted students who follow the agreed study plan and fulfil the requirements for the degree (See Appendix 1) at Uppsala University may apply for a Swedish BSc in biology. Students from China (as well as other students from outside the European Union (EU), European Economic Area (EEA) and Switzerland are required to pay application and tuition fees.

Routines for Application

Deadline for application: March 1st 2020

1. Students apply through a designated contact person at their home University in China (or other country). Applications are sent via e-mail to the registrar at Biology Education Centre, Uppsala University, through <u>info@ibg.uu.se</u> during January and February 2020, the deadline is March 1st 2020.

Note: The home university must have a valid agreement "3+1" with Uppsala University. Documents in application:

- Application letter (Letter of Intent) including information on preferred starting course (see section A below), e-mail address and postal address
- Transcript of record from your university, in original language and an official translation to English
- A copy of the passport page with personal data and photograph
- A copy of proof of English (see section B below)
- 2. The formal admission letter from the Admission Office at Uppsala University is communicated to the:
 - 1) Admitted students via regular mail and email
 - 2) The director of BSc studies at Biology Education Centre.

After admission, the students should apply for VISA to Sweden as soon as possible. Information about VISA application will be given separately. *Note*: VISA application dead-lines are important and have to be considered so that students are not hindered to travel in time for the programme start in August.

3. For all questions considering the application procedure, please send an e-mail to <u>info@ibg.uu.se</u> with "Bachelor 3+1" in the subject line. Contact with students, contact persons at sending university in China, Migration offices, Embassy, Housing office in Uppsala and others after admission will be handled by the contact persons at IBG, reached through the registrar address: <u>info@ibg.uu.se</u> Please use English as the language of communication.

A. Transcript of record from home university in China

Bachelor students in Biology/Molecular Biology/Life Sciences studying on their *third year* with good study results and good proficiency in the English language are eligible to apply. *Prerequisites in Biology and Chemistry:*

At the time of application, the students should have a curriculum with 60 credits Biology and 30 credits Chemistry. The Swedish credit system follows the European Credit Transfer

System (ECTS). 60 credits correspond to one year of full time studies (40 hours a week), and will supply a detailed conversion table for your university upon request.

For students to be accepted in this project, Uppsala University requires a signed agreement between the partner university/department. Agreements between our department/University and the following universities in China exist or are pending:

Peking University, Fudan, Huaqiao, Jilin, Jinan, Lanzhou, Nanjing, Nankai, Shandong, Sichuan, Southwest, Sun Yat-sen, Yunnan and Zhejiang.

B. Proof of English Proficiency

To be admitted to bachelor exchange programme, students must demonstrate proficiency in English through an internationally recognized test such as TOEFL, IELTS or equivalent. **Required Test Scores:**

- IELTS: an overall mark of 6.5 and no section below 5.5
- TOEFL Internet based: Score of 20 (scale 0-30) in written test, total score of 90
- TOEFL paper based: Score of 4.5 (scale 1-6) in written test, total score of 575 More details in the checklist.

C. Courses at Uppsala University Biology Education Centre

All students will obtain an individual study plan for their exchange studies at Uppsala University. The study counsellor Eva Damm at the Biology Education Centre will support the students in forming the individual study plans.

The study plan can be developed before or after arrival in Uppsala.

The first course for the fall (period 1) has to be determined and communicated via the application documentation submitted to the Biology Education Centre before March 1st 2019.

The recommended first courses fall 2019 are:

1BG200 Ecology 15 credits (10 weeks full time studies)

or

1BG227 Limnology 15 credits (10 weeks full time studies)

or

1BG209 Toxicology 15 credits (10 weeks full time studies)

or

1BG201 Microbial Genetics 15 credits (10 weeks full time studies)

Further Biology courses at Biology Education Centre, Uppsala University See Appendix 3 for available Biology courses Fall 2019 and Spring 2020. Detailed information on the courses can be found here: <u>http://www.ibg.uu.se/education/courses-</u> programmes/biology-courses/

D. Housing

Uppsala University assists with arrangements for housing, the monthly costs of which are around 4000 SEK (paid by the student).

E. Insurance

Uppsala University provides insurance for fee-paying students.

For more information:

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Appendix 1: Requirements for Bachelor's Degree in Biology at Uppsala UniversityAppendix 2: Checklist and time table for the applicationAppendix 3: Biology courses offered at Biology Education Centre, Uppsala University

Appendix 1 Bachelor's degree Uppsala University

(http://www.uu.se/en/students/degrees-and-careers/degrees/levels-and-degrees/)

In order to be entitled to a Bachelor's Degree the following requirements have to be fulfilled: After finishing courses totalling 180 credits (3 years of full time studies) the student may be awarded a Bachelor's Degree, provided that a main field of study of 90 credits minimum is included, and that within the main field of study at least 15 credits constitutes an individually performed project work. At Uppsala University a Bachelor's Degree, in addition to these general conditions, also requires at least one minor field of study of at least 30 credits.