

Roskilde University | Institutional Fact Sheet

Roskilde University (RUC)	Universitetsvej 1, 4000 Roskilde, Denmark
Location	Denmark is ranked as one of the happiest countries in the world with a very safe society with a high level of trust. Roskilde is a 20-minute train ride from Copenhagen with lots of experiences in the capital city in your free time.
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Campus


- Take a virtual tour of campus:
- Read about our sustainable campus:

https://video.ruc.dk/media/t/0_upgi5x4j

<https://ruc.dk/en/sustainable-campus>

About Roskilde University (RUC)

Roskilde University offers student a different experience. The university is founded in 1972 with objective of setting new standards in educational principles, by breaking with traditional university practices and embracing student involvement. We are research driven with a strong link between research and teaching.

Characteristic educational principles:

- Interdisciplinarity
- Problem based approach
- Groupwork

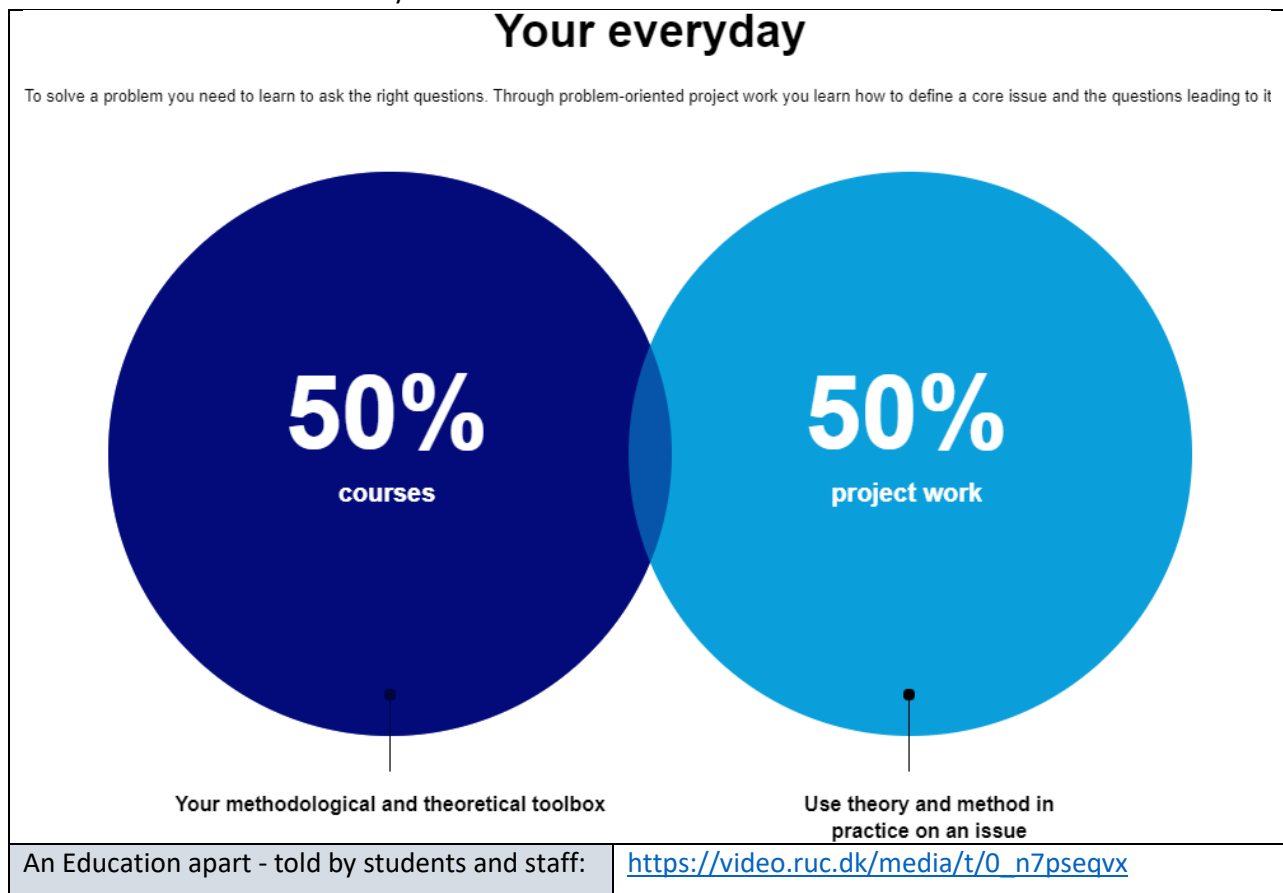
Giving students:

- Strong interdisciplinary competences
- Teamwork skills and skills for your working life

Pedagogical model of Problem-oriented Project Learning:

<https://ruc.dk/en/problemoriented-project-learning-pedagogical-model-roskilde-university>

A semester at Roskilde University



Introduction programme in 2 steps – first online and then on campus

‘How to RUC’	Step 1: Online study start course to be completed before arrival. This self-study course will give a digital introduction to studying at RUC.
Onboarding Days	Step 2: Exchange Onboarding Days at campus: It is a must for all exchange students to participate in the pre-semester introduction. It will bring the knowledge from ‘How to RUC’ to life — with hands-on workshops, peer-to-peer guidance, and real-time support to help you feel confident and connected from day one. More information: https://intra.ruc.dk/index.php?id=46726

Nomination and application deadlines

	Nomination deadline (university)	Application deadline (student)
Autumn semester (semester 1)	15 April	01 May
Language test (if required)		15 June

Spring semester (semester 2)	15 September	01 October
Language test (if required)		15 November

Academic year

Autumn semester	01 September – 31 January
Spring semester	01 February – 30 June

Academic calendar

	Autumn semester	Spring semester
Onboarding Days (3 days introduction programme)	Final week of August	Final week of January
Project exam period (oral group presentation of project work)	The last 2 weeks of January	The last 2 weeks of June
The university is closed for national holidays and does not have Autumn and Winter breaks	Between Christmas and New Year	

Semester start

Group formation process	<p>It is very important that the student arrive at Roskilde University in time to participate in all study activities from semester start (01 September/01 February). Normally there will be group formation days within the first week, where students find the subject of the project and team up in project groups.</p> <p>Group formation days are usually a 2-3 days long process, where you spend the days talking about subjects for the project, facilitated by academic staff. By the end of the 2-3 days, students will have narrowed the subjects for the project into a very specific title that the project will be focused on and the team up in groups. At this time groups will register together for the exam as a project group.</p> <p>The process gives students possibilities to influence the subject and feel out fellow students, as they have to work closely together for the whole semester on the project. Is not possible to do a project alone.</p>
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Admission requirement

General	<p>Nominated students will receive an e-mail with a guidance on the application process and a link to our online application form. You will be required to upload the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Agreement signed by you and your home university • Transcript of records from your home university • Documentation for English proficiency (see below)
Language requirements	<p>Students need to prove English proficiency. You can find the accepted tests and minimum scores at our web: https://ruc.dk/en/admission-exchange</p> <p>Students exempted from English skills requirements: If your current programme is 100 % taught in English, we just need a signed document from your home university stating that your current studies is 100 % English taught.</p> <p>Countries exempted from English skills requirements due to: Equal national admission requirements for universities in countries as in Denmark:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finland • Netherlands • Norway • Sweden <p>Currently studying in a native English-speaking country:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia • Great Britain • Ireland • New Zealand • USA
Minimum study activity requirement	<p>30 ECTS - which is considered a full-time study. It is possible to take more than 30 ECTS - however, we only recommend 30 ECTS each semester. Note that you normally will have to make an exam when finishing each course – it could be a written assignment or an oral examination.</p>
Restrictions	<p>Exchange students should mainly choose their courses within the agreed field of study. Whether or not they are allowed to take courses within other fields depends on their academic background and course availability.</p>

Academics

Semester packages	<p>We have made semester packages for incoming exchange students for all English taught programmes. They will always be available for an academic year at our website. Spring semester will be similar to next Spring semester – Autumn semester will be similar to next Autumn semester: https://ruc.dk/en/intro-exchange-and-guest-students</p> <p>You will benefit from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No overlap in lectures and exams • Your activities will most likely be with the same group of fellow students • Project and courses within each package work together in order to give you more than each activity gives on its own <p>Full catalogue of study activities: https://study.ruc.dk/</p>
Level	<p>BA = bachelor level MA = master level</p> <p>It is possible for master students to do study activity at bachelor level; however it is not possible for bachelor student to do study activity at master level</p>
Is it possible to do activities at home	<p>As you are required to do 30 ECTS at Roskilde University, it is not possible to do additional activities at your home university (e.g. thesis) at the same time.</p>

Departments at Roskilde University

https://ruc.dk/en/departments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Social Science & Business • Department of Communication and Arts • Department of People and Technology • Department of Science and Environment
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Grading system in Denmark

Ministry of Higher Education and Science	<p>The grading system is set by the Ministry of Higher Education and Science:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7-point grading scale • Pass/Fail <p>Official website for information about grading system in Denmark: https://ufm.dk/en/education/the-danish-education-system/grading-system</p>
Conversion between grading scales	<p>Please note that it is not possible to give individual grades to exchange students in courses with pass/fail assessment.</p> <p>‘Form of examination’ including assessment method is giving at each study activity via the full catalogue of study activities: https://study.ruc.dk/</p>



Location

<p>Region Sjælland (Region Zealand)</p> <p>Part of Greater Copenhagen</p>	<p>RUC is a one-campus university, located in the beautiful green surroundings between the capital, Copenhagen, and the historic city of Roskilde, which is known for its UNESCO world heritage listed cathedral, the Viking Ship Museum, the majestic fjord, the beautiful natural surroundings and the largest music festival in Northern Europe – The Roskilde Festival.</p> <p>Located close to the City of Copenhagen, and with excellent infrastructure, Roskilde is an attractive place to live, work and study.</p> <p>Being a part of the Greater Copenhagen area, RUC has its own train station in the neighborhood of Trekroner, and Copenhagen Central Station is only 20 minutes away by train. It is easy to get from the dynamic study environment at RUC to the vibrant city life of Copenhagen.</p>
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Living in Denmark

RUC Housing	<p>Roskilde University has secured a limited number of rooms for our exchange students on campus: https://ruc.dk/en/accommodation-exchange-students We do not give guarantees but normally we are able to accommodate most exchange students who applied before the deadline. Exchange student will receive information on campus accommodation after being accepted.</p>
Price level per month	<p>RUC Housing: DKK 4050-5600 (€ 540-745) Food: DKK 1500-2000 (€ 200-270) Books: DKK 250-500 (€ 35-70) Transportation: DKK 660 (€ 90) – if you commute to the university In total you should expect to use approximately DKK 8000 (€ 1070) per month</p>

Residence permit/visa

Non-EU citizens	<p>You must apply for a residence permit before arriving in Denmark. After you have been accepted at Roskilde University, we will start the process for you to continue immediately: https://www.nyidanmark.dk/en-GB/You-want-to-apply/Study/Higher-education Processing time: 2 months Price: Approximately DKK 2500 (€ 334)</p>
EU citizens	<p>You must register for an EU residence document after arrival in Denmark: https://www.nyidanmark.dk/en-GB/You-want-to-apply/Residence-as-a-Nordic-citizen-or-EU-or-EEA-citizen/EU-student</p>
Nordic citizens	<p>You are free to enter, live, study and work in Denmark: https://www.nyidanmark.dk/en-GB/You-want-to-apply/Residence-as-a-Nordic-citizen-or-EU-or-EEA-citizen/Nordic-citizens</p>

We are looking forward to welcoming your students at Roskilde University

