Aarhus University: Summer University
NEW COURSES AVAILABLE!
2-27 July 2012

Application deadline Monday 5th March 2012

Please note some details may change – always check with Macquarie Abroad for the most up to date information. Last updated 24 January 2012.

See also: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/ausummeruniversity/

Overview

Aarhus University will be running the Summer University for the seventh year in 2012, with courses for both undergraduate and postgraduate students taught in English. Previously a Business-focused program, this year the program has been expanded to include more than 80 courses within a range of disciplines including Business and Management, Finance and Economics, Media, Language and Communication as well as courses within other focus areas such as Social Science, Health Science, Agricultural Science and Environmental research.

Students participating in the program will gain credit towards their Macquarie degree by taking subjects that may not be offered at Macquarie. The program also provides students with the opportunity to gain first-hand experience of Denmark and Scandinavia and meet a large number of students from all around the world.

The program is divided into three consecutive terms: a July term, an August term and a July/August term. Each term offers courses of three weeks or four weeks in duration. Please note that the timing of the first term fits extremely well with Macquarie’s vacation period, while the second and third terms directly overlaps with the beginning of Semester 2 at Macquarie.

In 2012, Aarhus will accept a maximum of 20 students to participate in the program. Places in individual courses are limited to 2-3 students from each institution. Students must clearly indicate their course preferences when applying to Macquarie and ensure to choose multiple back-up course options.
Please note that this program has proved to be competitive in the past and places will be allocated based on academic merit, with consideration given to students’ programs of study.

**Application and eligibility**

Students must apply online to Macquarie Abroad no later than **Monday 5th March 2012**. The application and instructions are available online at [www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/shortterm](http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/shortterm).

Successful students will then be guided through the rest of the application process for Aarhus.

All students MUST provide 2 email referees. The first MUST be a Macquarie Academic, while the second reference MUST be a non-academic referee.

Students must have a minimum GPA of **2.5** and must satisfy other criteria specified in the Student Exchange Policy.

Postgraduate students will need to be approved by the GSO as well as by the Student Exchange Committee.

**Please note that as Aarhus has a very early application deadline (15th March) students must be prepared to submit their online application to Aarhus ASAP upon confirmation of acceptance into the program by Macquarie**

**Important Program dates**

The summer program is divided into three terms. Macquarie International recommends that students only participate in Term 1 unless they are intending to complete their degree by taking their last course/s at Aarhus.
TERM 1

Arrival
Monday 2 July: Accommodation available for students to check in

Course dates

5 ECTS course: 2 – 20 July 2012
Total of 3 weeks
  2 weeks teaching sessions (2-13 July)
  1 week exam preparation (16-20 July)

10 ECTS course: 2 – 27 July 2012
Total of 4 weeks
  3 weeks teaching sessions (2-20 July)
  1 week exam preparation (23-27 July)

Departure
31 July: Students must vacate accommodation

TERMS 2 & 3

Note that Terms 2 and 3 overlaps with the beginning of Macquarie’s second semester (30th of July).
Students must consider if they can afford to miss the start of classes and Macquarie International cannot advise students that it is acceptable to do so. Students assume all risks if they are not present for the beginning of classes. Information regarding Terms 2 and 3 can be found on the Aarhus website

http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/ (important dates)
Course details

Students are to take a maximum of one course.

Undergraduates may choose a 5 ECTS course (a total of 27 teaching hours) or a 10 ECTS course (a total of 54 teaching hours), noting that a 5 ECTS course is a three week program and a 10 ECTS course is a four week program.

Postgraduate students are required to choose a 10 ECTS course.

Each course is unique, however as a general rule students can expect classes to be held in the morning (9am-12pm 5 ECTS course; 9am-1pm 10 ECTS course) with the afternoon being dedicated to group work, presentations, etc.

Courses at Aarhus are offered at Bachelor, Masters and PhD level. When choosing courses, students must take care to note the appropriate level and the ECTS value of the course they wish to take.

Courses Available in 2012:

Culture: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/culture/
Economics: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/economics/
Geoscience: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/geoscience/
Media: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/media/
Political Science: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/politicalscience/
Psychology: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/psychology/
Sociology: http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses/sociology/

Please take note of the course dates.
Credit Transfer

Postgraduate business subjects have been pre-approved as BUS870; MIB and MCom students will not need to seek academic approval.

Undergraduate and non-MIB/MCom Postgraduate students must have their subject approved by the academic departments at Macquarie prior to leaving for Aarhus. More information about this process will be given to successful applicants after they have been accepted into the program by Macquarie.

Undergraduate students and non-MIB/MCom Postgraduate students will need to obtain a signature from the Exemptions Officer at the relevant department on a specific ‘Study Plan’ form. This will indicate the year level, subject area and credit point value of the unit being undertaken. Students should keep copies of all approval and enrolment forms.

Students wishing to know more about the approvals process can find information at http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/process/information.aspx?mi=621#results

Program Assessment

All assignments and assessment will be conducted by Aarhus.

Evaluation of all Aarhus Summer University courses consists of an individual coursework mark worth 40% of students’ final grade and a final exam worth 60%.

Assessment of the coursework component can vary from course to course. More detailed information regarding the assessment can be found in each course description.

The final exam is a three-hour take home exam to be downloaded from Aarhus student intranet and uploaded upon completion. Further information regarding the final exam can be accessed through the course descriptions (follow the links in “Courses Available in 2012”).
Costs

To apply to participate in the program, students must submit an application to Macquarie International via the online application system.

There is an **application fee** of **$110** to apply for any short-term program. This fee must be received by the application deadline, and must be paid either in person at the MI Shop in Building E3A (payable by EFTPOS or credit card only), or online at the MI Shop webpage: [http://www.international.mq.edu.au/mishop/products/Stock.asp?c=16](http://www.international.mq.edu.au/mishop/products/Stock.asp?c=16)

Students are also responsible for the following costs:

- **Accommodation** at Aarhus (arranged and paid for directly to Aarhus by students)

- **Airfare** (price subject to change depending on time of booking) Students must not purchase airfares or make travel arrangements until they have been formally accepted by Aarhus.

- **Living expenses** for the duration of the program. Amounts will vary according to personal taste and will include meals, travelling around Denmark and social activities.

- Students will be enrolled in a corresponding exchange unit at Macquarie for each subject they are enrolled in at Aarhus. **Fees must be paid to Macquarie** for these subjects or deferred to HECS as usual. Students do **not** pay tuition fees to Aarhus. Postgraduate MIB and MCom students will be enrolled in BUS870 and standard tuition fees will be due for their enrolment in this unit.

Travel Insurance

Macquarie University offers students participating on overseas exchange programs the option of being covered under the Macquarie University Corporate Travel Insurance Policy. This policy will cover eligible students for the duration of their overseas program plus a total of seven (7) leisure days of travel outside of their academic program.

Students who plan to be overseas for more than eight (8) leisure days will be required to purchase their own insurance policy **for the entire duration of their journey** (from the date they leave
Australia to the date they return to Australia).

Students will receive further information about the insurance requirements once they have been accepted into the program.

**Accommodation**

**Students will be required to apply directly to Aarhus for accommodation.** Further information will be provided when accepted into the program.

Aarhus provides off-campus accommodation in student residence halls 10-30 minutes from the University. The rooms are single rooms with access to kitchen and bathroom facilities. Some rooms have Internet, some don't, however there is Internet access available at the University for all students (also available is wireless Internet and Aarhus advises all students to bring their own laptop).

The price for accommodation varies from 265 – 750 EUR per month.

Upon students’ acceptance into the program Aarhus will send students an accommodation offer which you will be required to respond to via email within one week. Once you have responded, you will be sent an invoice which you must pay before arrival. When picking up the key at the arrival desk you must show a bank transfer statement.

Accommodation will be distributed on a first come first serve basis.

Please find more information on the accommodation website:

http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/housing/

**Cultural and social components**

Along with the academic program, Aarhus offers a social program as a mix of social, cultural and international events. These events are not included in the Macquarie application fee, but most are free or otherwise reasonably priced.

A complete schedule of the social activities can be found at the Aarhus Summer University website:

http://www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/socialprogramme/
Mobility Scholarships
Eligible students participating in the program will receive a Macquarie mobility scholarship.

Mobility scholarships are intended to assist students in participating in student mobility programs.

While the scholarships will assist in meeting program expenses, they are not intended to cover all costs and cannot be processed on demand. Grants are processed after the pre-departure session, close to the start date of the overseas program.

Applicants will need to be able to meet the costs of the program independently of the mobility scholarship.

Students do NOT need to apply for the mobility scholarship separately. Students accepted into the program will be automatically be eligible for the scholarship. Further details will be provided to successful applicants.

Notes for International Students
International students be aware of their Australian visa conditions while overseas.

International students are permitted to travel home before and/or after their program, however students must be aware that they will not be covered for this travel under the Macquarie travel insurance.

Students should direct enquiries about the program to:

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