STUDY AT AARHUS UNIVERSITY*

*OR A WAY TO GET YOUR DEGREE FROM A TOP 100 UNIVERSITY IN DENMARK
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THE NUMBER OF NOBEL PRIZES

+50
THE NUMBER OF ENGLISH-LANGUAGE DEGREE PROGRAMMES

120
THE NUMBER OF STUDENT NATIONALITIES

WHY CHOOSE AARHUS UNIVERSITY?

TOP 100 UNIVERSITY
Aarhus University is consistently ranked as one of the world’s top universities. It was ranked No. 78 in the 2023 Shanghai Ranking and among the world’s fifty best universities in seven out of 54 subjects in the latest 2023 QS World University Rankings by Subject.

INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION
Aarhus University’s School of Business and Social Sciences (Aarhus BSS) holds the distinguished AACSB, AMBA and EQUIS accreditations, and is therefore a triple-crown business school.

RESEARCH-BASED TEACHING
Teachers at AU are active researchers. All programmes are deeply rooted in research and are reviewed on an ongoing basis to meet the highest national and global quality.

SCANDINAVIAN TEACHING STYLE
The AU teaching style involves innovative teaching methods and an informal learning environment that is designed to promote creativity as well as analytical and critical thinking.

EXCELLENT FACILITIES
At all Aarhus University locations you will find modern buildings with beautiful Danish art and design and excellent study and research facilities.

FULL SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
The International Centre at Aarhus University offers a full induction and introduction programme as well as professional support and guidance throughout your time at AU. Furthermore, non-EU/EEA/Swiss students can use the AU housing service as described online.

CAREER COUNSELLING AND JOB BANK
AU offers career counselling and access to a free job bank. It also hosts a career programme and an International Company Day for the local business community to meet up with international Master’s students and graduates. Danish companies are always interested in attracting highly qualified international candidates.

JOB SEARCH SCHEME
Students who complete a higher educational program in Denmark automatically get a 3-year job seeking period with their study permit.

BEAUTIFUL AND GREEN CITY CAMPUS
A fifteen-minute walk from the historic cathedral in the city centre you will find the University Park. With its green hills and old oak trees the park is the heart of the main campus in Aarhus and a favourite spot for both students and staff.
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Most Danes also have a good command of English, so you can communicate easily even if you don’t speak Danish.

LIVING COSTS
The standard of living is high and the economy performs above the European average. Accommodation, food, and transport are therefore relatively expensive in Denmark compared to other countries. On the other hand, salaries are correspondingly high, and services such as medical treatment are free of charge.

LIVING IN AARHUS – DENMARK’S NUMBER ONE STUDENT CITY

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Welcome to Denmark’s number one student city!

HOUSING
No matter where you decide to live in Aarhus, you will never be far away from campus, the city centre or a local green space. Spread throughout the greater Aarhus area you will find parks and public gardens and along the coast you will find marinas, forested areas and beaches where you can enjoy a walk or a swim.

As a student at Aarhus University you are eligible to apply for student housing through the Housing office at Aarhus University and Student Housing Aarhus. Various different types of housing, ranging from dorm rooms with shared kitchen and bathroom in old historic buildings to modern studio apartments, are available to students. To find out more, please visit: www.au.dk/housing

For information on housing in Herning please go to AU.DK/HOUSING

See examples of real student budgets on InternationalAU.DK/COST-OF-LIVING

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1 EURO = DKK 7.45

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CAREER

DURING YOUR STUDIES

Many students in Denmark take student jobs or part-time jobs while they study at university. As an international student at Aarhus University, you are free to use our database for part-time jobs and student jobs: jobbank.au.dk

If you want to pursue a career in Denmark after your studies, you should sign up for the Career programme for international students at Aarhus University. Here you will meet mentors and get a chance to establish a network in a local company. Learning Danish will also expand your career possibilities after you graduate and as an international student you can sign up for free Danish lessons.

AFTER YOU GRADUATE

For Aarhus University graduates, there are many possibilities after university and non-EU graduates are allowed to stay for up to 3 years to look for work. In Denmark, the unemployment rate is currently about 3 per cent. In 2021 we asked AU classes from 2018-2020 about their employment status, and 91 per cent had a job.

Our career centres are available to offer guidance. They also host events specifically for internationals.

WHERE DO GRADUATES WORK?

AU graduates work in hundreds of different companies and organisations on many different career paths. Many students choose to stay in Denmark after graduation since the unemployment rate is low and the work-life balance is great.

In the greater Aarhus area, you will find plenty of international companies highly interested in international talent. Among these are:

- LEGO Group
- Bestseller
- Danske Bank
- Arla Foods
- Vestas
- Grundfos
- Salling Group

MEET ANGELO AGATINO NICOLOSI

He is living his dream in Aarhus, Denmark. Originally from Italy he came to Aarhus, Denmark because of the university and has now stayed on for 10 years. Click on the image and hear his story.

MEET GHINA SEPTIA FILIANA

Denmark is often said to be the happiest country in the world. Ghina Septia Filiana thinks she knows why after spending three years in the country. Originally from Indonesia she came to study at Aarhus University and she has now settled in Denmark.
TUITION FEES & FUNDING

Tuition is free for EU/EEA/Swiss citizens. For others, tuition fees are between €8,000 –15,300 per year, depending on the programme.

Aarhus University offers a limited number of scholarships to the most talented applicants from outside EU/EEA applying for a Master’s degree programme. Some may be reserved for certain nationalities. These scholarships can’t be applied for. All non-EU Master’s degree applicants are automatically considered for one.

NATIONAL LOAN PROGRAMMES
Furthermore, Aarhus University is approved for many national loan programmes such as the American William D. Ford Direct Loan Program, UPOP Regular Scholarship and the Canadian Loan Scheme.

BACHELOR’S DEGREE PROGRAMMES
Cognitive Science
Economics and Business Administration (Aarhus)
Economics and Business Administration (Herning)

MASTER’S DEGREE PROGRAMMES
IT, Electronics and Programming
Cognitive Science
Computer Engineering
Computer Science
Data Science
Electrical Engineering
IT Product Development

Technical Science, Construction and Development
Civil and Architectural Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Technology Based Business Development

Physics, Mathematics and Nanotechnology
Astronomy
Mathematics
Mathematics – Economics
Nanoscience
Physics
Science Studies
Statistics

Biology, Chemistry and Nature
Agrabiology
Bioinformatics
Biology
Biotechnology and Chemical Engineering
Chemistry
Geology
Geophysics
Medicinal Chemistry
Molecular Biology
Molecular Nutrition and Food Technology
Organic Agriculture and Food Systems (Double Degree)
Quantum Technologies and Engineering, QuenTEEM (Erasmus Mundus)
Soils and Global Change (Erasmus Mundus)

Finance, Business and Management
Business Administration
Business Administration – Business Psychology
Economics and Business Administration:
- Business Intelligence
- Strategic Value Chain Management
- Commercial and Retail Management
- Digital Business Management
- Finance
- Finance and International Business
- Innovation Management
- International Business
- International Economic Consulting
- Management Accounting and Control
- Marketing Analytics and Strategy
- Operations and Supply Chain Analytics
- Strategy, Organisation and Leadership

Social Sciences, Politics and Economics
Economics
Human Security
Quantitative Economics

Language, Culture and History
Anthropology - Visual Anthropology
English
European Studies
Intercultural Studies
Linguistics
Sustainable Heritage Management

Media, Communication and Information
Journalism, Media, Globalisation (Erasmus Mundus)

Education, Psychology and Teaching
Children’s Literature, Media and Culture (Erasmus Mundus)

DEGREE PROGRAMMES 2024
English-language degree programmes at AU (complete listing)
Application timeline for Master’s degree programmes

Non-EU/EEA/Swiss

- The application portal opens
- Application deadline for non-EU/EEA + non-Swiss citizens - without a permanent residence permit in Denmark: 1 November
- Application deadline for EU/EEA/Swiss citizens: 15 January
- Deadline for uploading documentation of your completed Bachelor’s degree: 1 March
- Deadline for accepting your (conditional) admission offer: 1 April
- Deadline for applying for housing through AU: 1 May
- Deadline for uploading your English language test results: 1 May
- Applicants who received a status letter in March will receive their final reply on 10 June at the latest
- Early March

EU/EEA/Swiss

- The application portal opens
- Final deadline for accepting the offer of admission: 1 May
- Final deadline for payment of tuition fees: 1 June
- Deadline for uploading documentation of your completed Bachelor’s degree: 1 July
- Late August

Non-EU/EEA/Swiss

- Application timeline for Master’s degree programmes
- Reply to your application
- Non-EU/EEA + non-Swiss citizens receive one of the following letters:
  - Letter of admission
  - Conditional letter of admission
  - Status letter – if a final decision cannot be made at this point
  - Letter of rejection
- AND one of the following letters:
  - Tuition fee notification
  - Scholarship letter (1 week acceptance deadline)
- 1 May – 10 June
- Reply to your application
  - EU/EEA/Swiss applicants will receive one of the following letters:
    - Admission letter
    - Conditional admission letter
    - Rejection letter

EU/EEA/Swiss

- Deadline for accepting your offer of admission: 15 June
- Deadline for uploading documentation of your completed Bachelor’s degree and relevant supplementary courses: 1 July
- Late August
- Late September

The presented dates may be subject to change. Please stay updated on masters.au.dk/deadlines-and-important-dates

To see the application timeline for Bachelor’s degree programmes visit our admission pages for Bachelor’s degree programmes bachelor.au.dk/en/admission/deadlines
MEET THE STUDENTS

Have you heard that Denmark is expensive? Are you worried about the language, or maybe whether you can get a student job? Check out what four of our students have to say.

Like many Chinese students, I always expected to go to university in an English-speaking country. I applied to universities in Canada as well, but I ended up choosing Denmark and Aarhus University for a bunch of reasons. One reason was the low tuition fees compared to Canada and the US, another was the level of English. I knew many Europeans speak English and I knew my programme would be in English, but I didn’t know detailed stuff, like whether taxi drivers speak English here, or shopkeepers. Once I was living in Denmark, I found out that Danes speak really good English. Every Dane I’ve met so far speaks English better than me.

Hanshuo Yang, from China
MSc in Computer Engineering programme

For me, Denmark hasn’t turned out to be more expensive than what I was used to. Most things here cost about the same as they would in a city in the US. Some things, like rents, are actually cheaper. Things that seem expensive at first, like restaurant meals or haircuts, end up costing the same because you don’t have to tip here. And a lot of my classmates like to cook, so we often get together for potluck meals, or we all bring wine and snacks and have a cozy night in. I strongly recommend anyone on a budget to make a point of asking their Danish classmates what they do to keep their spending down. I got lots of great tips that way, like which grocery stores are cheaper or which stores and restaurants give student discounts.

Elizabeth Lauer, from the United States
MA in Intercultural Studies programme

I had heard good things about the Nordic region, and Denmark, in particular, appealed to me in terms of its work culture and providing a great work-life balance. There were also positive reviews on the future job market in Denmark. I chose Aarhus University due to its high ranking and the possibility to select courses within my interests in data science and machine learning. Furthermore, the competitive tuition fee and the opportunity to work while studying were also decisive factors.

Vidur Singh, from India
MSc in Computer Science programme

I’ve been in Denmark almost four years now, and I’ve had a few student jobs. I started with a few cleaning jobs, and that was a good way to begin because it paid my bills. I worked about two to three hours a day, three times a week. After two years in Denmark, I got a job as a student assistant in finance at one of the big wind-turbine manufacturing companies. It’s a great job. I work 10–20 hours a week depending on the time of year, and they understand if I need to take a few weeks off during the exam period.

Ivana Kaufmanová, from the Czech Republic
MSc in Business Intelligence programme

AU SUMMER UNIVERSITY

AU Summer University takes place every year in July and August, with two terms each lasting three weeks.

All courses are taught in English by AU lecturers and invited international guest lecturers from all over the world. All courses are credit-bearing. Teaching at AU Summer University is based on current research and has a strong international perspective.

*OR AN OUTDOOR READING SPEED IMPROVER
au.dk/summeruniversity