

DUO-Sweden 2024 FAQ

1. General Description

Q1. Can an Individual student apply?

- A. No. Only paired students can apply through the Sweden institution. Individuals wishing to take part in exchanges are advised to contact the relevant offices (e.g. International Relations Offices) of your institution.

Q2. How can I find a partner student?

- A. Individuals need to check with the relevant offices at your institution for assistance. Please be informed that the ASEM-DUO Secretariat is not involved in finding partners or partner institutions.

Q3. How many times does DUO-Sweden open for applications?

- A. The call for applications of DUO-Sweden is announced **ONLY once a year**. So if you are interested in an exchange in the fall of 2024 or spring of 2025, you should apply for DUO-Sweden 2024.

Q4. How much is the amount of the fellowship?

- A. The amount of the fellowships is standardized as follows. For high-income countries, 3,500 Euros for each Asian and Swedish student will be given.

- declaration of intention to set up a new cooperation agreement
- b. A copy of passport of paired applicants (valid one)
 - c. A copy of transcript of paired applicants (including the grades up to the most recent semester)

Q8. For DUO-Sweden, who selects exchange projects?

- A.** A Swedish Selection Committee, organized by the Swedish Council for Higher Education (UHR), will make the selection after the application deadline.

Q9. When the selection procedure will be announced?

- A.** The decision will be announced in June 2024. As soon as the selection result is announced on ASEM-DUO website, the selected applicants and their contact persons will be informed by the Secretariat through e-mail.

Q10. What are the selection criteria?

- A.** Selection criteria are at the discretion of the Swedish Selection Committee.

3. Instruction for Application Form

Q11. If we do not have an ID in the online application page, how can we apply?

- A.** Please contact the Secretariat and ask to add your institution to the list and get an ID. Please note that one institution will have ONLY ONE ID.

Q12. Should the academic year, periods of exchange and field of exchange coincide for each pair?

- A.** Not necessarily. If the exchange project is executed under the same MOU, undergraduate students and graduate students are both eligible for exchange.

Q13. (Application page 2) If we could not find our Asian partner institution on this page, how can we apply?

- A.** Please contact the Secretariat and ask to add your partner institutions. Also, you need to provide the official name of the partner institutions in English, their official website, and the country where it is located.

Q14. (Application page 2) How to convert the Asian student's credits to ECTS?

- A.** Please convert it upon the applicant's institution grading system and put the calculated ECTS. In addition, please let us know the conversion rate on the application (ex, 1 credit = 1.5 ECTS) since all conversion rate of an institution is different.

