



Kristianstad  
University  
Sweden



**Kristianstad University, or HKR for short, is beautifully situated in southern Sweden. The distances are short here, both between students and staff and between the university and the working life. Students are our most valuable resource. We unite theory and practice and train for life-long learning.**

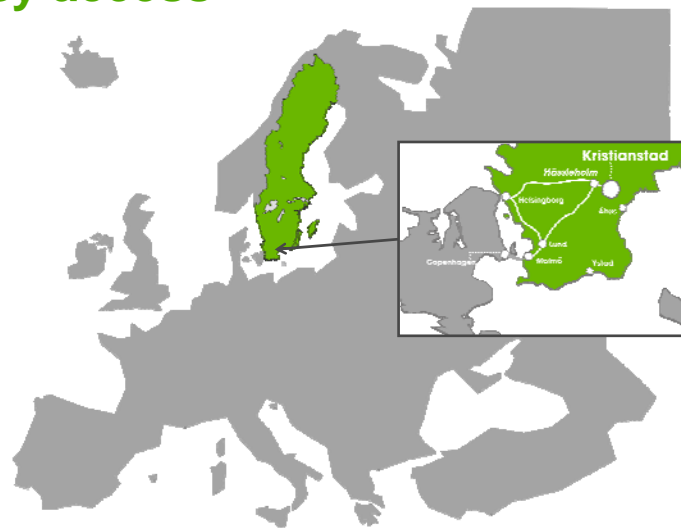




## Sweden

- Sweden is one of the largest countries in Europe, with varied scenery and a varied climate. From north to south you can find extensive forests, numerous lakes and a long coastline.
- The landscape as well as the climate change a lot, from the cold and wild regions of the north to the milder and flatter landscape in the south.
- Sweden is not only a place of forests and lakes but also an innovative and modern country. In a nutshell, Sweden is a country of opportunities offering a high quality of life with humans and nature in mind.

## Easy access





## Higher education in Sweden

- Large universities
- Small and medium-sized universities
- 370,000 students in higher education
- Study loans and grants
- Tuition fees are charged for non partner university students outside the EES



## Study in Sweden

- Demand for independent work such as reports and final theses. Scientific thinking and scientific methodology are very important.
- Contact hours vary from programme to programme.
- A study week is 40 hours including lectures, self-study, seminars, laboratory sessions, workshops, placements and visits.





## Swedish Higher Education Credit

**1 week** = 1 week of full-time study =  
1.5 Higher Education Credit = 1,5 ECTS

**1 semester** = 20 weeks of full-time study =  
30 Higher Education Credits = 30 ECTS

**1 academic year** = 40 weeks of full-time  
study = 60 Higher Education Credits =  
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**ECTS** = European Credit Transfer System



## Academic Semesters

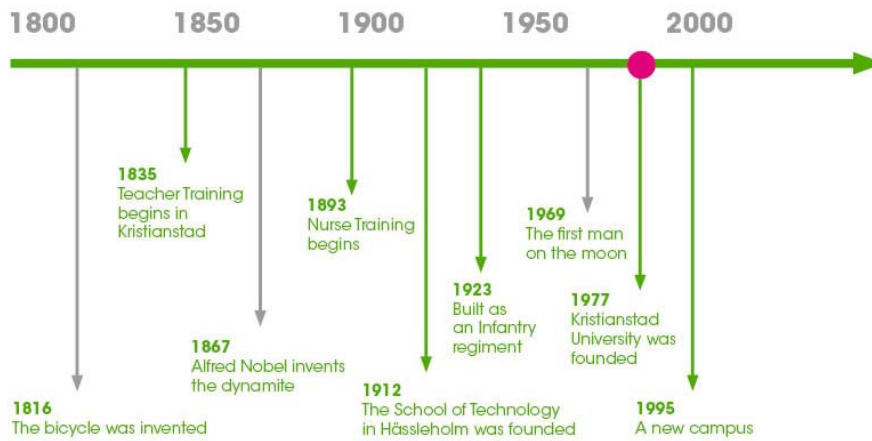
**Autumn semester:**  
End of August – mid-January

**Spring semester:**  
Mid-January – beginning of June

**Summer courses:**  
10 weeks during summer-time



# History



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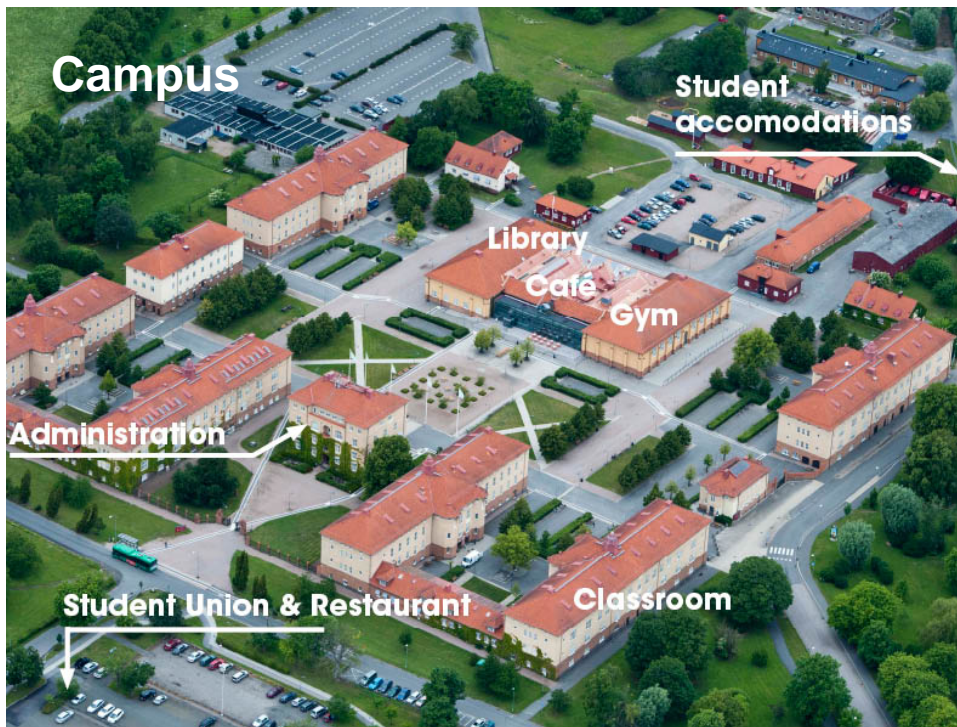


## Kristianstad facts

- Founded in 1614 by the Danish king Christian IV
- Became part of the Swedish kingdom in 1658
- Kristianstad and its surroundings has 75,000 inhabitants, 35,000 of whom live in the town itself
- Shops, banks, services, a theatre, museums and entertainment, all within easy walking distance
- Famous for the Absolut Company



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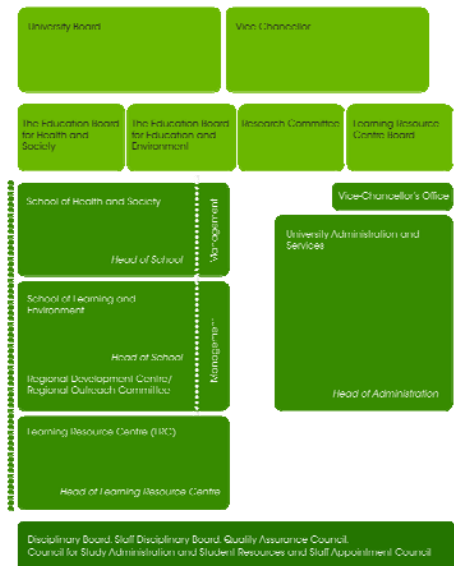
**Kristianstad University's vision is to educate Sweden's most employable students by bringing together theory and practical training.**





## Kristianstad University is unique

HKR is the only university in Sweden that offers at least five weeks of work-placement-based learning, (VFU) in all our degree programmes.





## Kristianstad University in figures

- 13,500 students
- 70% women and 30% men
- 40 programmes and 630 courses
- 5 programmes and 100 courses are offered in English



## Faculty and staff

- 18 Professors
- 141 Senior lecturers
- 220 Lecturers
- 13 PhD students
- 158 Administrators & support staff





## Students

- 41% under the age of 25
- 59% over the age of 25

200 exchange students  
250 non-exchange students



## Schools

- School of Health and Society
- School of Education and Environment





## We provide education in:

- Health Science
- Culinary Arts and Food Science
- Business and Human Resources
- Computer Sciences
  
- Educational Sciences
- Natural and Environmental Sciences
- Social Sciences
- Engineering



## Degrees

### **Bachelors degree**

after completion of 180 higher education credits (3 years)

### **Masters degree**

("One Year" or "Two Years")  
after completion of 60 or 120 higher education credits (1 or 2 years)





## Areas of research are:

- Educational Sciences
- Health Sciences
- Environmental and Natural Sciences
- The Humanities and Social Sciences
- Engineering



## Krinova

### Science and Development Park

- Opportunities for common service functions for technology park tenants
- Linking business and university expertise





## International Office

- Student exchange
- Teacher exchange
- Internationalisation at home
- Recruiting and marketing



## Courses in English

All courses and programmes offered in English for international students are also available for Swedish students.

### Two special courses

- Swedish for International Students  
7.5 HE credits
- Sweden Past and Present  
7.5 HE credits





## Accommodation guaranteed

Close to the campus

- Dormitories
- Apartments
- Home stay
- Cost: SEK 2,200-2,500/month
- Overall cost of living, minimum SEK 7,300/month



## Services for students with special needs

- Good disabled access
- Assistance with note-taking
- Mentor support assistants
- Sign language interpreters
- Special assistance for dyslexic students
- Resource rooms
- Technical aid
- Help with and special arrangement for examinations
- Modification of the contents of a course





## Support to all our students

- Nurse
- Counsellor
- Chaplain
- Support staff speak English



## Library

- Hybrid library
- 85,000 volumes
- 250 periodicals + 6,000 electronic publications
- Over 200 reading places
- 1,700 visitors/day





## Computer facilities

- Access 24 hours a day
- Wireless LAN



## Student Union

[www.ksk.nu](http://www.ksk.nu)

- Represents all students
- Social activities, e.g. discos and pub nights

You can turn to the Student Union for help, information and support. The Student Union office is found in the building Metropol, which is situated near the Campus.





## **Kristianstad** **The student city**

- Wide range of entertainment
- Well-stocked clothing and shoe stores
- Cosy cafés, pubs and bars



## **Exciting experiences** **just around the corner**

- Nature and forests
- Rock climbing
- Sailing
- Water-skiing
- Wind surfing
- Orienteering





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Our aim is to give all our  
students a personal  
university experience

