The University of Essex is a place where curiosity prevails, and where exploring new ways of thinking and pushing boundaries isn’t just encouraged, it’s expected. We were named University of the Year at the Times Higher Education Awards 2018 for our determination to do things differently and put student success at the centre of everything we do. We’re proud to be gold rated in the Teaching Excellence Framework 2017 and we're in the top 25 for research quality in The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide. We’re committed to two things: excellence in teaching and excellence in research. We put student success at the heart of our mission, supporting every student from every background to achieve outstanding outcomes; preparing our students to thrive in their future lives. We are Essex: welcome home.

I am Essex...see why our students at Essex are Essex
The University of Essex

Location

• The University of Essex is spread across 3 campuses – Colchester, Southend and Loughton. Our main Colchester Campus is set within 200 acres of beautiful Parkland, and is only two miles from the **historic town centre of Colchester** – England’s oldest recorded town.

• Easily accessed in under one hour from Central London and from Stansted Airport by train, bus, coach and taxi.

• 10 miles south of **Dedham Vale Area of Natural Beauty**, and just a short bus journey to the beaches of Mersea island, Frinton and many more. There is plenty to see and plenty to do in and around Colchester.

Academics and Student life

• Join over 15,000 Essex students from more than 140 countries and benefit from our flexible approach to academics. This allows you to study across multiple disciplines, where you will receive high levels of pastoral and academic support from Essex Abroad and the departments.

• Access to state-of-the-art learning facilities, accommodation, bars, cafes, sports facilities, a gallery and a theatre!

• Our Student’s Union offers 165 sports clubs and societies. From the departmentally-focused and culturally-based, from Harry Potter to Show Choir, there is a society for you. If there isn’t? **YOU** can set one up.

For further information, visit our website for incoming exchange students [here](#), or email [essexabroad@essex.ac.uk](mailto:essexabroad@essex.ac.uk)
The University of Essex – Colchester Campus

We know that you will probably have never visited our Colchester Campus before, and even if you have, we like to shout about it as often as we can.

It's a fantastic place to live, learn and have fun.

Watch our Colchester Campus video and then take a look around with our 360 tour and galleries.
The University of Essex – Southend Campus

The other campus study abroad students can study at is our Southend Campus…right by the sea. It’s a smaller campus but a great place.

Check out the Southend Campus video and take a further look around with our 360 tour, videos and galleries.
Check out what our Chancellor, **Rt Hon John Bercow**, has to say about the University of Essex to students joining us this academic year in the [welcome talk video](#).

P.S…he’s quite famous in the UK by the way.