



International Exchange Fact Sheet Academic Year 2018-2019

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IMPORTANT WEBSITES	
Penn Abroad	global.upenn.edu/pennabroad
Information for Exchange Students	global.upenn.edu/pennabroad/students/prospective-exchange-students
Penn Housing	www.upenn.edu/housing
Penn Undergraduate Schools	www.upenn.edu/programs/undergraduate.php
College of Arts and Sciences	www.college.upenn.edu/
School of Engineering and Applied Science	www.seas.upenn.edu/
School of Nursing	www.nursing.upenn.edu/
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IMPORTANT DATES AND GENERAL DEADLINES		
Partner Nomination Deadline	Fall Semester & Academic Year	February 1
	Spring Semester	September 1
Application Deadline	Fall Semester & Academic Year	March 1
	Spring Semester	September 20
Program Commitment Required By	Fall Semester & Academic Year	May 15
	Spring Semester	November 1
All Exchange Program Acceptance Materials Must Be Submitted By	Fall Semester & Academic Year	June 1
	Spring Semester	November 10
Academic Calendar	Please refer to the Penn academic calendar for specific dates and events: http://www.upenn.edu/almanac/3yearcal.html	

STUDENT APPLICATIONS

Eligibility	Minimum 3.0 GPA equivalency								
	Evidence of solid academic preparation.								
	<p>TOEFL-IBT (Internet Based Test) score of 100 OR TOEFL (Paper Based Test) score of 600 Penn Abroad TOEFL Destination (DI) Code: 3221</p> <p>The TOEFL must have been taken within 2 years of application deadline. Only the original, official hard copy test result accepted.</p> <p>Non-native English speakers who are attending English-speaking schools must sit for the TOEFL exam OR provide proof of study at an English-speaking institution for the past three years.</p>								
Nomination Procedures	<p>Please email the following information to exchangestudents@upenn.edu:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">-Student's Name</td> <td style="width: 50%;">-Exchange term (fall/spring/academic year)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>-Email address</td> <td>-Exchange Program (College/Nursing/Wharton/SEAS)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>-Birthdate (day/month/year)</td> <td>-Student's specific major/area of study</td> </tr> <tr> <td>-Gender</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>Late nominations will not be accepted!</p>	-Student's Name	-Exchange term (fall/spring/academic year)	-Email address	-Exchange Program (College/Nursing/Wharton/SEAS)	-Birthdate (day/month/year)	-Student's specific major/area of study	-Gender	
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Application Procedures	<p>Nominated students will receive an e-mail from Penn Abroad with further instructions on how to access our online application system.</p> <p>The nominated student must submit the following documents online via the application system:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • unofficial transcripts of all undergraduate work • scanned copy of passport • recommendation letter. 								
Visa Application	<p>All exchange students who are not US citizens are required to have a student visa to study in the United States.</p> <p>Penn's International Students and Scholarship Services will provide information and assistance for J-1 and F-1 student visa applications to all accepted exchange students.</p> <p>Students who have US citizenship or US permanent residency should notify Penn Abroad and provide a copy of their US passport or permanent residence card when applying.</p>								

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Load Requirements	<p>Exchange students on J-1 and F-1 visas are required to maintain full-time status while studying in the United States. Students must enroll in a minimum of four credit units (usually four courses) per semester.</p> <p>Exchange students are eligible to take courses up to the 499-level. They are expected to take the majority of their courses within their Penn undergraduate school of exchange (College, Nursing, SEAS, or Wharton).</p>
Grading Scale	Letter grades ranging from A to F (with no D- or E) are used to report the standing of a student upon the completion of each course. Transcripts are sent at the end of the semester.
Course Registration	<p>Course descriptions can be reviewed in the Penn Course Register: http://www.upenn.edu/registrar/register/</p> <p>Students will register for all courses online before the beginning of their semester. Courses vary each semester and inbound exchange students are not guaranteed enrollment in any particular course.</p>

POST-ACCEPTANCE INFORMATION

Housing and Meals	<p>All exchange students are required to live on campus in Penn housing with Penn students. Students must complete the online application for housing after being accepted into their exchange program.</p> <p>More information about Penn housing, the application process, and deadline dates can be found on the Penn housing website for exchange students:</p> <p>http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/residential-services/applications-a-assignments/new-undergraduate-students/exchange-students.html</p> <p>All exchange students are also required to purchase a meal plan. Further details are available after students are accepted.</p>
Health Insurance and Immunizations	<p>All exchange students are required to enroll in a comprehensive health insurance as a condition of enrollment at the University of Pennsylvania, and as a requirement set forth by the United States for all F-1 and J-1 students. Students have the option to enroll in the Penn Student Insurance Plan (http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/shs/psipinsurance.php) or to enroll in another insurance plan of their choosing, provided it meets certain minimum criteria set forth by Penn Student Health Services. Please review insurance requirements at this link: http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/shs/inreq.php.</p> <p>All exchange students must also submit a complete Immunization Record worksheet following acceptance.</p>
Orientation and Events	<p>Fall and Academic Year students are required to attend a mandatory New Student Orientation program. Students will be charged a fee to cover event participation and meals. More information on orientation can be found here: www.upenn.edu/nso/</p> <p>Spring students are required to attend the mandatory Exchange Student Orientation program. There is no fee for participation.</p> <p>Throughout the semester, events are planned to introduce students to the culture of the United States.</p> <p>Opportunities, such as exchange student and Penn student mixers, are available for exchange students to meet and mingle with their Penn peers and hopefully, make lasting connections.</p>
Costs	<p>Tuition and student fee charges are waived for exchange students. Students are responsible for living expenses and personal expenses.</p> <p>Estimated Living Expenses for 2018-2019 will be updated in March 2018. The following rates are from Academic Year 2017-2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Room: \$9,820 • Board: \$5,246 • Books & Supplies: \$1,280 • Insurance: \$3,348 • Miscellaneous Expenses: \$2,060 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New Student Orientation fee (Fall/Year students only): ~\$295 ○ Student Health Service Clinical Fee: ~\$270 <p>Costs are for the entire academic year unless otherwise noted and are subject to change. For most up to date information, visit http://global.upenn.edu/pennabroad/students/prospective-exchange-students</p>