



# Study Abroad

International Programs  
University of South Carolina

## USC Factsheet

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<b>University Website</b>	<a href="http://www.sc.edu/">http://www.sc.edu/</a>
<b>Contact information for exchange activities, including phone number, fax and email</b>	<p>Keara DeKay, Senior Study Abroad Advisor Tel: (803) 777-7557 <a href="mailto:dekay@mailbox.sc.edu">dekay@mailbox.sc.edu</a></p> <p>If unavailable please contact: Study Abroad Office Tel: (803) 777-7557 <a href="mailto:studyabroad@sc.edu">studyabroad@sc.edu</a></p> <p>In the event of an after-hours emergency, please call USC Campus Police at 803-777-4215. This number is monitored 24/7 and Campus Police will be in communication with Study Abroad Office staff.</p>
<b>Handbook for Incoming Exchange Students</b>	Provided to students via email prior to arrival
<b>Academic calendar with holiday dates (semesters or terms)</b>	<p>Fall Semester: mid August to mid December Spring Semester: early January to early May</p> <p>For detailed dates please visit: <a href="https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/academic_calendars/2017-18_calendar.php">https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/academic_calendars/2017-18_calendar.php</a></p>
<b>Exam dates</b>	<p>Generally, second week of December and first or second week of May.</p> <p>For detailed dates please visit: <a href="https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/academic_calendars/2017-18_calendar.php">https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/academic_calendars/2017-18_calendar.php</a></p>
<b>Deadlines for the <u>nomination</u> of exchange students for each term</b>	<p>March 1<sup>st</sup> – Fall Semester or Academic Year September 1<sup>st</sup> – Spring Semester <a href="https://uscips.wufoo.com/forms/exchange-student-nomination-form-20182019/">https://uscips.wufoo.com/forms/exchange-student-nomination-form-20182019/</a></p>
<b>Deadlines for <u>receipt of application forms</u></b>	<p>April 1<sup>st</sup> – Fall Semester or Academic Year October 1<sup>st</sup> – Spring Semester</p>
<p><b>Initial application forms needed</b></p> <p>* Exchange students will be required to pay a <b>\$200</b> non-degree seeking student fee</p> <p>** All other initial application fees are <u>waived</u> for exchange students. Waived fees include:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Special Application for Non-Degree Students (online application, link will be sent to students each term)</li> <li>2) Application for Immigration Document <a href="https://uscips.wufoo.com/forms/exchange-application-for-immigration-document/">https://uscips.wufoo.com/forms/exchange-application-for-immigration-document/</a></li> <li>3) English-proficiency official scores <i>**please have scores sent to USC using code – 5818 when taking the TOEFL exam, as well as an unofficial copy to our office</i></li> </ol>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$40 international admission fee</li> <li>• \$500 international student enrollment fee</li> </ul>	<p>4) Photocopy of official transcripts  5) Immunization Form  6) Certification of Financial Support Form</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exchange students must certify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ \$9,089 US per semester (4 months)**</li> <li>○ \$18,565 US per academic year (9 months)** for living expenses (housing, food, books, health insurance, miscellaneous) while at USC.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>7) Photocopy of passport (high resolution scan please)</p> <p>Documents 3-7 should be uploaded to the student's Study Abroad Account. Students will be given complete instructions to follow after nomination.</p>
<p><b>Application forms needed <u>AFTER</u> acceptance (e-mailed to the student by Exchange Coordinator)</b></p>	<p>Arrival assistance request online (optional)  Online Housing Application</p>
<p><b>Courses of study which are open to exchange students</b></p> <p>*Courses available during the fall semester (August-December) will be posted in mid-March. Courses available during the spring semester (January-May) will be posted in mid-November.</p>	<p>Students may enroll in any course for which they meet the prerequisite. Courses are offered on a per semester basis only. For a list of general course descriptions, go to <a href="http://bulletin.sc.edu/index.php?catoid=37">http://bulletin.sc.edu/index.php?catoid=37</a>. For a list of business course descriptions, go to <a href="http://bulletin.sc.edu/preview_entity.php?catoid=37&amp;ent_oid=478&amp;returnto=796#programs-and-courses">http://bulletin.sc.edu/preview_entity.php?catoid=37&amp;ent_oid=478&amp;returnto=796#programs-and-courses</a></p> <p>For course availability by semester please visit the master schedule of classes at:  <a href="http://registrar.sc.edu/html/Course_Listings/">http://registrar.sc.edu/html/Course_Listings/</a></p> <p>Please note that some IBUS, EXSC and PEDU courses are not available to exchange students. Contact your USC Study Abroad Advisor for more info on course eligibility.</p>
<p><b>Type of accommodation offered</b></p> <p>*Exchange students are <u>required</u> to live on campus.</p>	<p>Exchange students usually stay in the Quads, International House at Maxcy College (Maxcy), Bates-West or any of the Horseshoe apartments, although they can be placed anywhere on-campus. All exchange students are placed in residence halls that remain open during university breaks and that have kitchen facilities. These options can vary based on availability. <b>Housing is guaranteed but preferences are not.</b></p> <p>For more information on housing at USC, please visit:  <a href="http://www.housing.sc.edu/virtualltour/">http://www.housing.sc.edu/virtualltour/</a></p> <p><a href="#">Click here</a> for more info on the International House at Maxcy College.</p>
<p><b>Contact for accommodation, including phone number, fax and e-mail</b></p>	<p>Study Abroad Office:  Sam Crook  Exchange Student Coordinator  Phone: (803) 777-7557  Fax: (803) 777-7559  <a href="mailto:Crooks2@mailbox.sc.edu">Crooks2@mailbox.sc.edu</a></p>
<p><b>Meal plans</b></p> <p><b>Student Card</b></p>	<p>USC offers several meal plan options at a variety of on-campus dining locations. Meal plans are not required. Students who do not wish to purchase a standard meal plan may use their CarolinaCard to purchase individual meals at Campus dining facilities. For meal plan options visit: <a href="https://uofsc.sodexomyway.com/index.html">https://uofsc.sodexomyway.com/index.html</a></p> <p>All new students will be issued a USC student card, called the "Carolina Card". This card serves as a student ID and library card, and allows access to a variety of on campus services such as dining, photocopying, health services, bookstore, etc.</p>
<p><b>Introductory Orientation</b></p>	<p>1 week – dates vary by term  More arrival information will be sent to students upon receipt of their applications.</p>

**Medical Insurance**

Compulsory medical insurance may be applied for prior to or upon arrival on campus. 2016-2017 fees are approximately \$1,105 US per fall semester and \$1,442 per spring/summer semester. If a student can provide proof of requisite health insurance coverage, this fee may be waived. For USC's health insurance requirements please visit:  
<https://www.studentinsurance.com//SI/Schools/source/PDFs/brochures/SC/USC/USCbro16.pdf>