

International Student Exchange Fact Sheet 2018-2019

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	Fall Semester - Dates	Spring Semester - Dates
Application Deadline	March 15, 2018	September 1, 2018
Orientation Sessions	August 17, 2018	January 4, 2019
Beginning of Classes	Aug. 20, 2018	January 7, 2019
End of classes	December 8, 2018 (exams inclusive)	April 27, 2019 (exams inclusive)

Application Information	
Type of Agreement	Student Exchange
Application Documents	<p>OSA will send updated application materials directly to partner contacts. Upon acceptance of student nominations, students must complete and submit the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Non-Degree Form • Exchange Application Form • Policy Signature Documents • Declaration of Finances and Bank Verification Form • TOEFL or IELTS Scores • Immunization Forms • Exchange Student Course Registration Form • Scan/copy of Passport • Academic Transcripts • Insurance Enrollment Form • Housing Contract (to be submitted online)
Language Assessment	<p>FIU will only accept the following to meet the language assessment requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOEFL: IBT minimum score: 80 or PBT minimum score 550 • IELTS: Minimum score 6.5

Academic Information	
Level/Courses/Programs offered (per agreement)	<p>Undergraduate and Graduate – FIU offers both Undergraduate (courses numbered 1000-4000 level) and Graduate courses (courses numbered 5000 or above).</p> <p><i>The terms of our specific agreement, as well as balance and availability, determine whether we can accept Undergraduate, Graduate, or both types of students from your institution.</i></p> <p>Please note that courses and programs in the College of Medicine and the College of Law are excluded from all exchange agreements.</p>
Course Load per semester	<p>Undergraduate: 12 credits minimum, 15 credits maximum (4-5 classes) Graduate: 9 credits minimum, 12 credits maximum (3-4 classes)</p>
Credit System	FIU uses the Carnegie Unit system. In this system, most standard courses are 3 credit hours each.
Language of Instruction	English
Course Information	<p>Courses lists are available for review by college and department here: http://catalog.fiu.edu/. Please note course availability is very limited in the following departments: Finance, Accounting, Communication (Advertising, Journalism, Public Relations), Nursing, etc.</p> <p>Additionally, certain courses are not open to exchange students including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Business/Finance courses: Unless institution specifically has a Graduate Business exchange agreement. Even then, graduate business exchange places are part of professional programs and only available on a case by case basis. • Graduate Engineering & Mass Communication Courses • Capstone courses: These are reserved for graduating degree-seeking FIU students • Courses offered at "Virtual Undergraduate Campus"
Course Selection/Procedure	<p>Students submit course schedule request & proof of prerequisite completion, if applicable, to OSA. Once pre-requisite reviews are complete, OSA registers exchange students for courses.</p> <p>Proof of prerequisite completion is especially important for courses in certain departments (Business, Communications, Sciences, Computer Sciences/Information Technology, Social Work, Engineering, Education etc.).</p>

Cost Information		
Expenses A <i>per-semester</i> estimate (USD) for exchange students living on campus	Tuition & Fees	<i>Waived per Exchange Agreement</i>
	Student ID	\$10
	Tax Compliance Fee	\$10 to \$20
	Accommodation	\$4,600
	Meal Plan	\$2,000
	Books & Supplies	\$700
	Health Insurance Plan	\$1,000
	Miscellaneous	\$2,250
	Total	\$10,580

Additional Information	
Accommodation	<p>On-Campus Housing Required: OSA notifies accepted exchange students once the exchange housing application is available. More information available: http://housing.fiu.edu</p>
Health Insurance	<p>International Exchange Students are required to purchase health insurance through FIU as the policy meets all requirements for an exchange student visa.</p>
Visa	<p>All non-US citizens need a visa to study at FIU as an exchange student. OSA will mail the student an acceptance letter and a DS-2019 form needed to apply for a J-1 exchange visa once the student is admitted to FIU. Students are responsible for applying for their own visas through the U.S. Department of State.</p>
Campus Resources & Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchange/Study Abroad Office: http://studyabroad.fiu.edu • Library: https://library.fiu.edu/ • Campus Dining: http://fiu.campusdish.com/ • Clubs and Organizations: https://orgsync.com/login/florida-international-university • Student Wellness & Recreation Center: http://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/health-and-fitness/recreation/index.php • Student Health Services: http://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/health-and-fitness/student-health/