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# USF World Education Abroad Exchange Fact Sheet

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# Semester Dates and Deadlines

## Application Deadlines

Fall Semester: April 1

Spring Semester: September 15

## Holidays (USF is Closed)

Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday (Monday, January 15)

Labor Day (Monday, September 2)

Veteran's Day (Monday, November 11)

Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 28)

Day after Thanksgiving (Friday, November 29)

## Semester Dates

**Fall 2024:** August 26, 2024 - *December 12, 2024*

Exam Week: December 7 – December 12, 2024

**Spring 2025:** January 13 – May 8, 2025

Spring Break: March 17th - 23rd, 2025

Exam Week: May 2 – May 8, 2025

# Application Information

## Important Deadlines

	Nomination	Application
Fall Semester	March 15	April 1
Spring Semester	September 1	September 15

## Application Process

**Step 1:** Exchange students are nominated by their institution via an online form sent out to partners.

**Step 2:** Nominated students are emailed the application link and instructions.

Required Application Documents:

- Academic Transcript (officially translated in English)
- Passport ID Page
- Proof of English language proficiency (as appropriate)
- Personal Statement

GPA Requirement: 3.0 or equivalent at home institution

Language Requirement: 79 TOEFL iBT, 110 Duolingo, or 6.5 Ilets

Post admission, students are required to complete their health history form, course registration, and obtain a DS2019 to apply for a J-1 visa.

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# Housing and Meal Plans

Students are encouraged to live on campus.

USF Education Abroad will assist students with on campus housing arrangements.

Meal plans are available for all students living on or off campus.

Housing Options:

- Apartment style
- Suite style
- Traditional shared accommodations.

**Housing Website:** [usf.edu/student-affairs/housing](https://usf.edu/student-affairs/housing)

**Meal Plan Website:** <https://usf.campusdish.com/>



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# Academic Information

## Available Colleges

- Arts and Sciences, Business, Behavioral and Community Sciences, Public Health, Global Sustainability

## Restricted Colleges and Coursework

- Honors, Medicine, Nursing, Social Work, Pharmacy, Real Estate, Accounting, Mental Health Counseling, programs leading to licensure
- Graduate programs in computer science/Engineering and psychology

## Courses Requiring Departmental Review

- Engineering, Economics, Computer Science, Finance, Arts, Music, Supply Chain,
- Psychology and College of Arts coursework are only available for registration at the end of semester. Coursework in these fields is limited.



# Registration Information

Before orientation, the inbound exchange coordinator registers students in their requested classes and works with departments and colleges across campus to facilitate registration.

After students attend orientation, they may register for classes and change their schedule.

Students will need to submit at least 8 class courses per semester for registration purposes.

Students should only use the [dynamic course search function](#) to search for classes that are offered each semester.

The inbound exchange coordinator will facilitate the approval process for all classes.

During the students first semester there are two compliance related holds (listed below) that prevent registration. It is important students work to resolve both holds quickly to ensure registration in their desired classes.

## Immunization and Insurance Compliance Restrictions

**Immunization Course Restriction Attribute (IMMN):** Students have not met immunization compliance requirements.

**SI Hold:** The Health Insurance Agreement has not been completed and submitted.

# Estimated Costs

## Approximate living cost per semester

- Undergraduate: **\$11,180**
- Graduate: **\$11,292**
- Tuition and fees are waived as part of the exchange agreement.

## Approximated costs include:

- Housing and meals
- Books and supplies
- Entertainment, general living expenses, and travel
- Mandatory health insurance

Per U.S. regulations, immigration and university policy, all exchange student on a J-1 visa are required to have medical insurance. Students can either purchase USF health insurance or an accepted non - USF medical insurance.



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# Getting Started at USF

## Exchange Students will enter the United States on J-1 visas

United States visa requirements vary depending upon the country of origin, please check with your local embassy or consulate.

Please see the U.S. Department of State's Information on J-1 visas for more detailed information: [j1.visa.state.gov](https://j1.visa.state.gov)

## Exchange Student Orientation

Held on the Thursday prior to the semester start date.

Students must arrive at least one day prior to the orientation date.

Students may request early move in for campus housing for an additional cost.

## Week of Welcome (WOW)

A week-long USF celebration to welcome new students and returning students each summer, fall, and spring!

WOW features a series of events and programs for new and returning Bulls to make lasting connections and have a successful start to your semester.





# Student Resources and Campus Life

## Getting involved on Campus:

<https://admissions.usf.edu/blog/how-to-get-involved-on-a-college-campus>

## Counselling and Wellness:

<https://www.usf.edu/student-affairs/counseling-center/>

## Center for Student Well-Being:

<https://www.usf.edu/student-affairs/wellbeing/>

## Student Accessibility Services:

<https://www.usf.edu/student-affairs/student-accessibility/>

## iBuddy:

<https://www.usf.edu/student-affairs/multicultural-affairs/programs/ibuddy.aspx>

## International Student Support:

<https://www.usf.edu/world/for-students/international-students/international-onboarding/index.aspx>



