Saint Mary’s University International Exchange Program – Host Institutions List

***Why not complete part of your degree program at one of our partner universities around the world?***

More and more Saint Mary’s University students are studying abroad every year. Those students discovered international learning opportunities by looking at this list, just as you are now.

Living and learning abroad is a truly eye-opening experience, so don’t let your worries about grades, money, or language get in the way of exploring your options. Contact the Global Learning and Intercultural Support Office ([Global@smu.ca](mailto:Global@smu.ca), Atrium106) and start discussing your plans with your International Learning Advisors!

# How to use this list

The list below includes over 100 exchange partner schools, in more than 30 countries.

When you review the list, consider the location, subjects offered, program levels, language of instruction, a minimum GPA required by the host university (if any), and semester dates. For the subject areas on the list, try to broaden your scope as to your study possibilities. For example, BComm and BSc students looking to fulfill free electives (social sciences, languages, etc.) should check out programs that offer Arts subjects. As well, some commerce-oriented schools offer basic-level business courses that don’t require pre-requisites so those are open to non-Commerce students as well.

Once you pick out a selection of host universities, visit their website for more information on courses, housing, monthly living expenses, student visa, and any other relevant information.

# A quick note on the application process

Before you are accepted into the exchange program at Saint Mary’s partner universities found on the list, you will first go through the selection process organized by the **SMU Global Learning and Intercultural Support Office** (Atrium106). Here is the ideal timeline:

* Late fall — Narrow down your choices of partner schools and decide how long you want to study abroad  
  (e.g., a semester, a year, or for a shorter-term summer abroad).
* Early winter — Apply for the exchange program(s) of your choice.

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If you have an inquiry about partner universities, please email your questions to the Global Learning Office ([Global@smu.ca](mailto:Global@smu.ca)) and we will be happy to contact our partner on your behalf. <https://studio.smu.ca/start-planning>

# Exchange partner schools

| **Institution Name**  (alphabetically organized by country name) | **City and**  **Country** | **Program Levels** | | | | **Language of Instruction** | **GPA req’d by Host** (subject to change) | **Semester Start/End Dates** | **Summer Program, if available**  (u=undergrad)  (g=graduate) |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Undergraduate | | | Graduate |
| Arts ENVS | Comm | Sci |
| [Western Sydney University](http://www.uws.edu.au/globalmobility/studyabroad) (UWS) | Sydney  **Australia** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 2.5 | Feb-July  July-Nov |  |
| [University of The Bahamas](http://www.ub.edu.bs/) (UB) | Nassau  **The Bahamas** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-Apr |  |
| [North South University](http://www.northsouth.edu/) (NSU) | Dhaka  **Bangladesh** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-Apr |  |
| [Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro](http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/) (PUC-Rio) | Rio de Janeiro  **Brazil** | ✓ |  |  |  | English and Portuguese | 3.0 | Aug-Dec  Feb-Jul | u |
| [Universidade Federal de Goiás](https://www.ufg.br/) (UFG) | Goiânia  **Brazil** | Check the host institution website | | | | Portuguese |  | Feb-Jun  Aug-Dec |  |
| [Universidade Federal de Uberlândia](http://www.dri.ufu.br/) (UFU) | Uberlândia  **Brazil** | Check the host institution website | | | | Portuguese |  | Feb-Jul  Aug-Dec |  |
| [Fea-RP, Universidade de São Paulo](https://www.fearp.usp.br/) (FEARP) | Ribeirão Preto SP  **Brazil** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | Portuguese |  | Aug-Dec  Feb-Jul |  |
| [Universidade Estadual de Londrina](http://www.uel.br/ari/pages/study-at-uel.php) (UEL) | Londrina  **Brazil** | ✓ |  | ✓ |  | Portuguese |  | Apr-Aug  Sep-Feb |  |
| [Université du Québec à Montréal, School of Management](https://esg.uqam.ca/en/) (UQAM) | Montreal  **Canada** |  | ✓ |  |  | English and French |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-Apr |  |
| [Hong Kong Baptist University](https://intl.hkbu.edu.hk/international-students)  (HKBU) | Hong Kong  **China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 2.5 | Sep-Dec  Jan-May | u |
| [City University of Hong Kong, College of Business](http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/exchange/) (CUHK) | Hong Kong  **China** |  | ✓ |  |  | English |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-Apr |  |
| [Beijing Normal University Zhuhai](https://english.bnuz.edu.cn/International_Students/Degree_Programs.htm) (BNUZ) | Zhuhai  **China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Chinese |  | Sep-Jan  Feb-Jun | u |
| [ESSCA](https://www.essca.fr/en/essca/our-campuses/essca-shanghai) Ecole de Management (ESSCA Shanghai) | Shanghai  **China** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-May | G |
| [Hainan University](http://en.hainanu.edu.cn/) (Hainan) | Hainan  **China** | ✓ |  |  |  | Chinese language |  | Sep-Jan  Mar-Jul |  |
| [Jinan University](https://english.jnu.edu.cn/) (JNU) | Guangzhou  **China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Chinese |  | Sep-Jan  Mar-July |  |
| [Xiamen University](http://oec.xmu.edu.cn/english/) (XMU) | Xiamen  **China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Chinese |  | Sep-Jan  Feb-Jun | u |
| [United International College](https://www.uic.edu.cn/) (UIC) | Zhuhai  **China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Sep-Jan  Feb-Jun |  |
| [Universidad de Antioquia](https://www.udea.edu.co/wps/portal/udea/web/home)  (UdeA) | Medellín  **Colombia** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | Spanish | 3.5 in a 5.0 scale | Aug-Jan  Feb-Jul |  |
| [Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana](http://www.upb.edu.co/) (UPB) | Medellin  **Colombia** | ✓ |  |  | ✓ | Spanish |  | July-Nov  Jan-May |  |
| [Universidad de La Sabana](https://www.unisabana.edu.co/internacional) (Sabana) | Chia  **Colombia** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Spanish |  | Jul-Nov  Jan-May | U |
| [Juraj Dobrila University of Pula](https://www.unipu.hr/en/international-cooperation/office_for_partnership_and_projects) (UNIPU) | Pula  **Croatia** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and Croatian |  | Oct-Jan  Feb-Jun |  |
| [Metropolitan University Prague](http://www.mup.cz/en/international-cooperation/information-for-incoming-exchange-students/exchange-student-application-procedure/) (MUP) | Prague  **Czech Republic** | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and Czech |  | Oct-Feb  Feb-Jun |  |
| [Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra](https://internacional.pucmm.edu.do/estudiantes-internacionales/) (PUCMM) | Santiago  **Dominican Rep** | ✓ |  |  |  | Spanish and a few ENGL courses |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Jyvläskylä](https://opiskelu.jyu.fi/en) (JYU) | Jyvläskylä  **Finland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Finnish |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May | u |
| [LUT University (Formerly Lappeenranta University of Technology](https://www.lut.fi/web/en/admissions/exchange-studies) (LUT) | Lappeenranta  **Finland** |  | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Finnish |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May | u/g |
| [Hanken School of Economics](https://www.hanken.fi/en/apply/international-opportunities/incoming-exchange-students) (Hanken) | Helsinki  **Finland** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and Swedish |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Eastern Finland](https://www.uef.fi/en/exchange-studies#paragraph-16565) (UEF) | Kuopio  **Finland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Finnish |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Universite Catholique de l’Ouest](https://international-uco.com/en) (UCO) | Angers  **France** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and French |  | Sep-Jan  Jan-May |  |
| [Grenoble Ecole de Management](http://www.grenoble-em.com/318-exchange-programs-2.aspx) (Grenoble) | Grenoble  **France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-June |  |
| [NEOMA Business School](https://neoma-bs.com/about-neoma/international/international-students/) (NEOMA) | Rouen/Reims  **France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-May | u |
| [ESSCA Ecole de Management](https://www.essca.fr/en/international/exchange-student) (ESSCA Angers, Paris, Bordeaux, Aix-en-Provence, Lyon) | Angers/ Paris/ Bordeaux/ Aix-en-Provence/ Lyon  **France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May | u/g |
| [Rennes School of Business](https://www.rennes-sb.com/programmes/exchange-programme/) (Rennes-BS) | Rennes  **France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-Apr | U |
| [IAE Lille School of Management](https://iaelille.fr/international/etudier-a-liae-lille/) (IAE Lille 1) | Lille  **France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-Apr |  |
| [Konstanz University of Applied Sciences](https://www.htwg-konstanz.de/en/academics/international-office/welcome) (Konstanz) | Konstanz  **Germany** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and German |  | Oct-Feb  Mar-July |  |
| [Justus Liebig University](http://www.uni-giessen.de/cms/international-pages?set_language=en) (Giessen) | Giessen  **Germany** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and German |  | Sep+ Oct-Feb  Mar+ Apr-July | u |
| [University of Education](https://www.ph-freiburg.de/international/willkommen-an-der-welcome-at-ph-freiburg/internationale-gaststudierende-international-guest-students.html) (Freiburg) | Freiburg  **Germany** | ✓ |  |  |  | English and German |  | Oct-Feb  Apr-Jul |  |
| [Goethe-Universität Frankfurt](https://www.goethe-university-frankfurt.de/124971977/International_Student_Services) (Frankfurt) | Frankfurt  **Germany** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and German |  | Sep, Oct-Mar  Apr-Sep | u |
| [University of Kassel](https://www.uni-kassel.de/uni/en/international-service/coming-to-kassel/exchange-studies-at-the-university-of-kassel-1) (UniKassel) | Kassel  **Germany** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and German |  | Oct-Feb  Apr-July |  |
| [Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences](https://www.panteion.gr/index.php/en/) (Panteion) | Athens  **Greece** | ✓ |  | ✓ |  | Greek and English |  | Oct-Feb  Feb-Jun |  |
| [ESSCA Ecole de Management](https://www.essca.fr/en/international/exchange-student) (ESSCA Budapest) | Budapest  **Hungary** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-May | g |
| [University College Cork](https://www.ucc.ie/en/international/studyatucc/visitingusandnoneustudents/) (UCC) | Cork  **Ireland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 3.0 | Sep-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Limerick](http://www.ul.ie/international/) (UL) | Limerick  **Ireland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 2.6 | Sep-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Hokkaido University of Education](https://www.hokkyodai.ac.jp/eng/about/) (HUE) | Sapporo  Hakodate  **Japan** | ✓ |  |  |  | Japanese |  | Oct-Feb  Apr-July |  |
| [Iwate University](https://www.iwate-u.ac.jp/iuic/)  (Iwate) | Morioka  **Japan** | ✓ |  |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-July |  |
| [Kumamoto Gakuen University](http://www.kumagaku.ac.jp/english/ie/index) (KGU) | Kumamoto  **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Sept-Feb  Apr-July |  |
| [Rikkyo University](https://sites.google.com/rikkyo.ac.jp/rikkyouniversitywebsiteforfutu/home) (Rikkyo) | Tokyo  **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Apr-Jul  Sep-Jan | u |
| [Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University](http://en.apu.ac.jp/home/exchange/) (APU) | Beppu  **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Mar-Aug  Sep-Feb | u |
| [Sapporo University](http://intl.sapporo-u.ac.jp/en/) (Sapporo) | Sapporo  **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-Feb  Apr-July |  |
| [Hiroshima University](https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en) (Hiroshima) | Higashi-Hiroshima  **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-Feb  Apr-July |  |
| [Tokyo Metropolitan University](https://www.ic.tmu.ac.jp/english/study_abroad/study_abroad.html) (TMU) | Tokyo  **Japan** | ✓ |  | ✓ |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-Feb  Apr-Aug | u |
| [Kansai Gaidai University, Asian Studies Program](http://www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp/asp/) (Kansai Gaidai) | Osaka  **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese | 3.0 | Aug-Dec  Jan-May | u |
| [Chiba University](https://www.chiba-u.ac.jp/e/course-program/student/index.html) (Chiba) | Chiba  **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-Feb  Apr-Aug |  |
| [University of Ulsan](https://global.ulsan.ac.kr/en/Main.do) (Ulsan) | Ulsan  **Korea** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Korean |  | Mar-Jun  Sep-Dec | u |
| [University of Seoul](http://iice.uos.ac.kr/iice/schola/program.do)  (UOS) | Seoul  **Korea** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Korean | 30ch | Sep-Dec  Mar-Jun | u |
| [Yonsei University at Mirae Campus](https://www.yonsei.ac.kr/en_wj/) (Yonsei) | Wonju  **Korea** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Korean |  | Sep-Dec  Mar-Jun |  |
| [Lebanese American University](https://www.lau.edu.lb/) (LAU) | Beirut/Byblos  **Lebanon** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May | u |
| [Mykolas Romeris University](http://www.mruni.eu/en/prospective_students/erasmus/) (MRU) | Vilnius  **Lithuania** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Lithuanian |  | Sep-Jan  Feb-Jun |  |
| [Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios de Monterrey](https://tec.mx/en) (ITESM) | Leon  **Mexico** | ✓ |  |  |  | Spanish |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios de Monterrey](https://tec.mx/en) (ITESM) | Guadalajara  **Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Spanish |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May | u |
| [Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Occidente](https://internacional.iteso.mx/web/iteso) (ITESO) | Guadalajara  **Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Spanish |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Universidad La Salle](https://academia.lasalle.mx/ciel-incoming/) (ULSA) | Mexico City  **Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | Spanish |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-June | u |
| [Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México](http://www.global.unam.mx/) (UNAM) | Mexico City  **Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | Spanish (TBC) | B2 Span/ min 80% | Aug-Dec  Jan-Jun |  |
| [Universidad Autónoma de Campeche](http://uacam.mx/) (UACAM) | Campeche  **Mexico** | Check the host institution website | | | | Spanish (TBC) |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-Jun |  |
| [Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences, Faculty of Business and Economics](https://www.amsterdamuas.com/education) (HvA) | Amsterdam  **Netherlands** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Dutch | 3rd/4th yr | Aug-Jan  Jan-June | u |
| [The Arctic University of Norway](https://en.uit.no/startsida) (UiT) | Alta, Tromsø  **Norway** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Norwegian |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-Jun |  |
| [Østfold University College](http://www.hiof.no/english) (Ostfold) | Halden  **Norway** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Norwegian |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-June |  |
| [University of Oslo](http://www.uio.no/english/studies/admission/exchange/) (UiO) | Oslo  **Norway** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Norwegian | C | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Cagayan State University](https://www.csu.edu.ph/) (CSU) | Tuguegarao  **Philippines** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Jul-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [SGH Warsaw School of Economics](http://administracja.sgh.waw.pl/en/cpm/international_exchange/incoming_students/exchange/Pages/default.aspx) (SGH) | Warsaw  **Poland** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and Polish |  | Sep-Feb  Feb-Jun | u |
| [University of Wrocław](https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/incoming-students/exchange-students) (Uni WROC) | Wroclaw  **Poland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Polish |  | Sep-Feb  Feb-Jul |  |
| [Wroclaw University of Economics and Business](http://www.ue.wroc.pl/en/) (UE WROC) | Wroclaw  **Poland** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Polish |  | Oct-Feb  Feb-Jul |  |
| ["Dunarea de Jos" University of Galati](https://www.en.ugal.ro/studies/erasmus-programme) (UGalati) | Galati  **Romania** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Romanian |  | Oct-Feb  Feb-Jul |  |
| [Glasgow Caledonian University](https://www.gcu.ac.uk/student/essentials/exchange-study-abroad/incomingstudents/) (GCU) | Glasgow  **Scotland, UK** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English |  | Sep-Jan  Jan-May | u |
| [Universidad Pública de Navarra](http://www.unavarra.es/relacionesinternacionales/relaciones-internacionales-y-movilidad/estudiantes-internacionales/exchange-and-visiting-students+) (UPNA) | Navarra  **Spain** |  | ✓ |  |  | English and Spanish |  | Sep-Jan  Feb-Jun |  |
| [Jönkoping International Business School](https://ju.se/en/study-at-ju/become-an-exchange-student/incoming-exchange.html) (JIBS) | Jönkoping  **Sweden** | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-Jun | u/g |
| [Srinakharinwirot University](http://swu.ac.th/en/) (SWU) | Bangkok  **Thailand** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | Thai and English | 2.5 | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [National Sun Yat-sen University](https://oia.nsysu.edu.tw/p/412-1308-22093.php?Lang=en) (NSYSU) | Kaohsiung  **Taiwan** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Chinese |  | Sept–Jan  Feb-June | u |
| [University of Gaziantep](https://www.gantep.edu.tr/en/)  (Gaziantep) | Gaziantep  Turkey | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Sep-Dec  Feb-May |  |
| [Uganda Martyrs University](http://www.umu.ac.ug/) (UMU) | Nkozi  **Uganda** | ✓ |  |  |  | English |  | Aug-Jan  Jan-May |  |
| [University of the Incarnate Word](https://www.uiw.edu/studyabroad/incoming-students/index.html) (UIW) | San Antonio TX  **USA** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 2.5 | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of the Arctic](https://education.uarctic.org/studies/circumpolar-studies/) (UArctic)  [North2North](https://www.uarctic.org/members/participate/north2north/)  [Circumpolar Studies](https://www.uarctic.org/members/participate/circumpolar-studies/course-materials/) (online) | **Circumpolar**  **Region** | ✓ |  |  |  | English |  | Sep–Dec  Feb–Apr |  |
| The New England/Nova Scotia Student Exchange Program (NE-NS) –14 Partner Institutions in the USA | | | | | | | | | |
| [Eastern Connecticut State University](http://www.easternct.edu/) | Willimantic CT  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Maine (Orono)](http://www.umaine.edu/) | Orono ME  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Southern Maine](http://www.usm.maine.edu/) | Portland ME  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Bridgewater State University](http://www.bridgew.edu/) | Bridgewater MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English | 2.5 | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Fitchburg State University](http://www.fitchburgstate.edu/) | Fitchburg MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Framingham State University](http://www.framingham.edu/) | Framingham MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts](http://www.mcla.edu/) | North Adams MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Nichols College](http://www.nichols.edu/) | Dudley MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Massachusetts Boston](http://www.umb.edu/) | Boston MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Massachusetts Dartmouth](http://www.umassd.edu/) | North Dartmouth MA **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English | 2.5 | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Colby-Sawyer College](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/) | New London NH  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Rhode Island](http://www.uri.edu/) | Kingston RI  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Castleton University](http://www.castleton.edu/) | Castleton VT  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Vermont State University (formerly Northern Vermont University)](https://www.northernvermont.edu/) | Johnson/Lyndonville VT  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| **The Killam Fellowships Program – Canadian citizens only –**  **16 Partner Institutions in the USA** | | | | | | | | | |
| [American University](http://www.american.edu/) | Washington DC  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Arizona State University](http://www.asu.edu/) | Tempe AZ  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Bridgewater State University](http://www.bridgew.edu/) | Bridgewater MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Clemson University](http://www.clemson.edu/) | Clemson SC  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Florida Polytechnic University](https://floridapolytechnic.org/) | Lakeland FL  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-Apr |  |
| [Ithaca College](http://www.ithaca.edu/) | Ithaca NY  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Miami Dade College](http://www.mdc.edu/) | Miami FL  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [Smith College](http://www.smith.edu/) | Northampton MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [State University of New York College at Plattsburgh](http://web.plattsburgh.edu/) | Plattsburgh NY  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of California at Irvine](https://www.uci.edu/) | Irvine CA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Hawaiʻi at Mānoa](http://manoa.hawaii.edu/) | Honolulu HI  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Maine](https://umaine.edu/) | Orono ME  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Texas at Austin](http://www.utexas.edu/) | Austin TX  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Virginia](https://www.virginia.edu/) | Charlottesville VA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sept-Dec  Jan-May |  |
| [University of Washington](http://www.washington.edu/) | Seattle WA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Sep-Dec  Jan-Mar  Mar-Jun |  |
| [Wellesley College](http://www.wellesley.edu/) | Wellesley MA  **USA** | Check the host institution website | | | | English |  | Aug-Dec  Jan-May |  |

# How to become an exchange student “Step by Step”

Step 1: Review your degree requirements

Check to see:

1. what courses you have left to complete in your SMU academic program requirements, and
2. if any of those remaining courses can be taken abroad (ask your academic advisor to verify this for you).

Step 2: Check your eligibility

If you are in good academic standing and on track to complete a minimum of 30 credit hours by the end of the current academic year, then you are eligible for most programs!

Step 3: Research course options offered at SMU partner institutions

Go through the SMU Exchange Program Host Institutions List or the SMU Summer Abroad Host Institutions List and see which options best match your academic needs and interests. Contact the Global Learning and Intercultural Support Office (Atrium 106, [Global@smu.ca](mailto:Global@smu.ca)) if you have questions. <https://studio.smu.ca/global-learning>

Step 4: Check the costs

You are responsible for covering the costs of international travel, insurance, $100 study abroad admin fee, housing, food, personal expenses, passport, and, if applicable, visa application. In most cases, you will pay your regular SMU tuition to SMU for the transfer credit hours.

Step 5: Research funding opportunities

Apply for funding by March 15 or September 15. Some host institutions offer financial support as well. <https://studio.smu.ca/intl-funding>

Step 6: Check processes for international travel

You will need a passport that is valid for 6 months past the scheduled return date. Depending on your nationality and the program duration, you may need to apply for an entry/study visa in person at the host country’s consular office in Montreal, Ottawa, etc. several months before your departure – budget accordingly. If you are non-Canadian, ensure your re-entry to Canada upon program completion by checking the validity of your Canadian Study Permit, PR Card, etc.

Step 7: Submit your application to SMU Global Learning Office (Atrium 106)

Your application consists of 1) application form (with your top three program choices from the Host Institutions List), 2) letter of intent, 3) printout of your grades from Self-service banner, 4) résumé, and 5) two reference letters (one must be academic) <https://studio.smu.ca/apply>

Step 8: Wait for the selection result and an offer of nomination to a host institution

After a short interview with the Global Learning Office, we will inform you of the application result and, if successful, to which school you will be nominated. You may or may not be selected for one of your top choices, but your preference will be taken into consideration as much as possible. Typically, there are one to two exchange places available for each partner school, and some places can be popular and competitive.

Step 9: Apply for admission and housing to the host institution

Once your nomination is accepted as an exchange program candidate, you will be invited to apply to the host university. You will be given a full set of instructions about your host institution’s application processes and deadlines. The final decision on admission is made by the host institution.

Step 10: Start preparing for your departure

Attend to the details:

1. transfer credit approval
2. travel insurance
3. immigration
4. housing
5. pre-departure orientation
6. budget planning
7. financial aid & loans
8. travel booking
9. waiver forms & travel registration
10. language preparation
11. fee payment, etc.

# SMU International Exchange Application Deadlines

Application deadline dates may change without notice from one year to another, and are updated as necessary. In the event that the date falls on Saturday or Sunday, applications will be accepted until the following Monday.

All application materials should be submitted to the Global Learning and Intercultural Support Office (Atrium 106, [Global@smu.ca](mailto:Global@smu.ca)), unless the program is organized by other academic departments. Late applications will be accepted past the due dates and considered on an individual basis while spaces are available.

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| December 15 | A Full-year exchange, Fall-semester exchange, and Winter-semester exchange for the Killam Fellowship in the US (Only Canadian citizens are eligible for the Killam Fellowship) |
| January 12 | A full-year exchange, Fall-semester exchange and Winter-semester exchange in Japan |
| February 10 | A Full-year exchange, Fall-semester exchange, and Winter-semester exchange in all other programs not mentioned above. |
| February 1-15 | Summer abroad program (unless noted otherwise) |