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, 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) 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 |
| ArtsENVS | 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-DecJan-Apr |  |
| [North South University](http://www.northsouth.edu/) (NSU) | Dhaka**Bangladesh** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Aug-DecJan-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-DecFeb-Jul | u |
| [Universidade Federal de Goiás](https://www.ufg.br/) (UFG) | Goiânia**Brazil** | Check the host institution website | Portuguese |  | Feb-JunAug-Dec |  |
| [Universidade Federal de Uberlândia](http://www.dri.ufu.br/) (UFU) | Uberlândia**Brazil** | Check the host institution website | Portuguese |  | Feb-JulAug-Dec |  |
| [Fea-RP, Universidade de São Paulo](https://www.fearp.usp.br/) (FEARP) | Ribeirão Preto SP**Brazil** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | Portuguese |  | Aug-DecFeb-Jul |  |
| [Universidade Estadual de Londrina](http://www.uel.br/ari/pages/study-at-uel.php) (UEL) | Londrina**Brazil** | ✓ |  | ✓ |  | Portuguese |  | Apr-AugSep-Feb |  |
| [Université du Québec à Montréal, School of Management](https://esg.uqam.ca/en/) (UQAM) | Montreal**Canada** |  | ✓ |  |  | English and French |  | Sep-DecJan-Apr |  |
| [Hong Kong Baptist University](https://intl.hkbu.edu.hk/international-students)  (HKBU) | Hong Kong **China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 2.5 | Sep-DecJan-May | u |
| [City University of Hong Kong, College of Business](http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/exchange/) (CUHK) | Hong Kong**China** |  | ✓ |  |  | English |  | Sep-DecJan-Apr |  |
| [Beijing Normal University Zhuhai](https://english.bnuz.edu.cn/International_Students/Degree_Programs.htm) (BNUZ) | Zhuhai**China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Chinese |  | Sep-JanFeb-Jun | u |
| [ESSCA](https://www.essca.fr/en/essca/our-campuses/essca-shanghai) Ecole de Management (ESSCA Shanghai) | Shanghai**China** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English |  | Sep-DecJan-May | G |
| [Hainan University](http://en.hainanu.edu.cn/) (Hainan) | Hainan**China** | ✓ |  |  |  | Chinese language |  | Sep-JanMar-Jul |  |
| [Jinan University](https://english.jnu.edu.cn/) (JNU) | Guangzhou**China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Chinese |  | Sep-JanMar-July |  |
| [Xiamen University](http://oec.xmu.edu.cn/english/) (XMU) | Xiamen**China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Chinese |  | Sep-JanFeb-Jun | u |
| [United International College](https://www.uic.edu.cn/) (UIC) | Zhuhai**China** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Sep-JanFeb-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-JanFeb-Jul |  |
| [Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana](http://www.upb.edu.co/) (UPB) | Medellin**Colombia** | ✓ |  |  | ✓ | Spanish |  | July-NovJan-May |  |
| [Universidad de La Sabana](https://www.unisabana.edu.co/internacional) (Sabana) | Chia**Colombia** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Spanish |  | Jul-NovJan-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-JanFeb-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-FebFeb-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-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Jyvläskylä](https://opiskelu.jyu.fi/en) (JYU) | Jyvläskylä**Finland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Finnish |  | Sept-DecJan-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-DecJan-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-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Eastern Finland](https://www.uef.fi/en/exchange-studies#paragraph-16565) (UEF) | Kuopio **Finland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Finnish |  | Sep-DecJan-May |  |
| [Universite Catholique de l’Ouest](https://international-uco.com/en) (UCO) | Angers **France** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and French |  | Sep-JanJan-May |  |
| [Grenoble Ecole de Management](http://www.grenoble-em.com/318-exchange-programs-2.aspx) (Grenoble) | Grenoble**France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-DecJan-June |  |
| [NEOMA Business School](https://neoma-bs.com/about-neoma/international/international-students/) (NEOMA) | Rouen/Reims **France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-DecJan-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-DecJan-May | u/g |
| [Rennes School of Business](https://www.rennes-sb.com/programmes/exchange-programme/) (Rennes-BS) | Rennes**France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-DecJan-Apr | U |
| [IAE Lille School of Management](https://iaelille.fr/international/etudier-a-liae-lille/) (IAE Lille 1) | Lille**France** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English and French |  | Sep-DecJan-Apr |  |
| [Konstanz University of Applied Sciences](https://www.htwg-konstanz.de/en/academics/international-office/welcome) (Konstanz) | Konstanz **Germany** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and German |  | Oct-FebMar-July |  |
| [Justus Liebig University](http://www.uni-giessen.de/cms/international-pages?set_language=en) (Giessen) | Giessen**Germany** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and German |  | Sep+ Oct-FebMar+ 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-FebApr-Jul |  |
| [Goethe-Universität Frankfurt](https://www.goethe-university-frankfurt.de/124971977/International_Student_Services) (Frankfurt) | Frankfurt**Germany** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and German |  | Sep, Oct-MarApr-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-FebApr-July |  |
| [Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences](https://www.panteion.gr/index.php/en/) (Panteion) | Athens**Greece** | ✓ |  | ✓ |  | Greek and English |  | Oct-FebFeb-Jun |  |
| [ESSCA Ecole de Management](https://www.essca.fr/en/international/exchange-student) (ESSCA Budapest) | Budapest**Hungary** |  | ✓ |  | ✓ | English |  | Sep-DecJan-May | g |
| [University College Cork](https://www.ucc.ie/en/international/studyatucc/visitingusandnoneustudents/) (UCC) | Cork**Ireland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 3.0 | Sep-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Limerick](http://www.ul.ie/international/) (UL) | Limerick**Ireland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 2.6 | Sep-DecJan-May |  |
| [Hokkaido University of Education](https://www.hokkyodai.ac.jp/eng/about/) (HUE) | SapporoHakodate **Japan** | ✓ |  |  |  | Japanese |  | Oct-FebApr-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-FebApr-July |  |
| [Rikkyo University](https://sites.google.com/rikkyo.ac.jp/rikkyouniversitywebsiteforfutu/home) (Rikkyo) | Tokyo**Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Apr-JulSep-Jan | u |
| [Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University](http://en.apu.ac.jp/home/exchange/) (APU) | Beppu**Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Mar-AugSep-Feb | u |
| [Sapporo University](http://intl.sapporo-u.ac.jp/en/) (Sapporo) | Sapporo **Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-FebApr-July |  |
| [Hiroshima University](https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en) (Hiroshima) | Higashi-Hiroshima**Japan** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-FebApr-July |  |
| [Tokyo Metropolitan University](https://www.ic.tmu.ac.jp/english/study_abroad/study_abroad.html) (TMU) | Tokyo**Japan** | ✓ |  | ✓ |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-FebApr-Aug | u |
| [Kansai Gaidai University, Asian Studies Program](http://www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp/asp/) (Kansai Gaidai) | Osaka**Japan** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Japanese | 3.0 | Aug-DecJan-May | u |
| [Chiba University](https://www.chiba-u.ac.jp/e/course-program/student/index.html) (Chiba) | Chiba**Japan** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Japanese |  | Oct-FebApr-Aug |  |
| [University of Ulsan](https://global.ulsan.ac.kr/en/Main.do) (Ulsan) | Ulsan**Korea** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Korean |  | Mar-JunSep-Dec | u |
| [University of Seoul](http://iice.uos.ac.kr/iice/schola/program.do)(UOS) | Seoul**Korea** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Korean | 30ch | Sep-DecMar-Jun | u |
| [Yonsei University at Mirae Campus](https://www.yonsei.ac.kr/en_wj/) (Yonsei) | Wonju**Korea** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Korean |  | Sep-DecMar-Jun |  |
| [Lebanese American University](https://www.lau.edu.lb/) (LAU) | Beirut/Byblos**Lebanon** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May | u |
| [Mykolas Romeris University](http://www.mruni.eu/en/prospective_students/erasmus/) (MRU) | Vilnius**Lithuania** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Lithuanian |  | Sep-JanFeb-Jun |  |
| [Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios de Monterrey](https://tec.mx/en) (ITESM) | Leon**Mexico** | ✓ |  |  |  | Spanish |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios de Monterrey](https://tec.mx/en) (ITESM) | Guadalajara**Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Spanish |  | Aug-DecJan-May | u |
| [Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Occidente](https://internacional.iteso.mx/web/iteso) (ITESO) | Guadalajara**Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Spanish |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Universidad La Salle](https://academia.lasalle.mx/ciel-incoming/) (ULSA) | Mexico City**Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | Spanish |  | Aug-DecJan-June | u |
| [Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México](http://www.global.unam.mx/) (UNAM) | Mexico City**Mexico** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | Spanish (TBC) | B2 Span/ min 80% | Aug-DecJan-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-JanJan-June | u |
| [The Arctic University of Norway](https://en.uit.no/startsida) (UiT) | Alta, Tromsø**Norway** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Norwegian |  | Aug-DecJan-Jun |  |
| [Østfold University College](http://www.hiof.no/english) (Ostfold) | Halden**Norway** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Norwegian |  | Aug-DecJan-June |  |
| [University of Oslo](http://www.uio.no/english/studies/admission/exchange/) (UiO) | Oslo**Norway** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Norwegian | C | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Cagayan State University](https://www.csu.edu.ph/) (CSU) | Tuguegarao**Philippines** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Jul-DecJan-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-FebFeb-Jun | u |
| [University of Wrocław](https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/incoming-students/exchange-students) (Uni WROC) | Wroclaw**Poland** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English and Polish |  | Sep-FebFeb-Jul |  |
| [Wroclaw University of Economics and Business](http://www.ue.wroc.pl/en/) (UE WROC) | Wroclaw**Poland** | ✓ | ✓ |  |  | English and Polish |  | Oct-FebFeb-Jul |  |
| ["Dunarea de Jos" University of Galati](https://www.en.ugal.ro/studies/erasmus-programme) (UGalati) | Galati**Romania** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English and Romanian |  | Oct-FebFeb-Jul |  |
| [Glasgow Caledonian University](https://www.gcu.ac.uk/student/essentials/exchange-study-abroad/incomingstudents/) (GCU) | Glasgow**Scotland, UK** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English |  | Sep-JanJan-May | u |
| [Universidad Pública de Navarra](http://www.unavarra.es/relacionesinternacionales/relaciones-internacionales-y-movilidad/estudiantes-internacionales/exchange-and-visiting-students%2B) (UPNA) | Navarra**Spain** |  | ✓ |  |  | English and Spanish |  | Sep-JanFeb-Jun |  |
| [Jönkoping International Business School](https://ju.se/en/study-at-ju/become-an-exchange-student/incoming-exchange.html) (JIBS) | Jönkoping**Sweden** | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ | English |  | Aug-DecJan-Jun | u/g |
| [Srinakharinwirot University](http://swu.ac.th/en/) (SWU) | Bangkok**Thailand** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | Thai and English | 2.5 | Aug-DecJan-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–JanFeb-June | u |
| [University of Gaziantep](https://www.gantep.edu.tr/en/)(Gaziantep) | GaziantepTurkey | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English |  | Sep-DecFeb-May |  |
| [Uganda Martyrs University](http://www.umu.ac.ug/) (UMU) | Nkozi**Uganda** | ✓ |  |  |  | English |  | Aug-JanJan-May |  |
| [University of the Incarnate Word](https://www.uiw.edu/studyabroad/incoming-students/index.html) (UIW) | San Antonio TX **USA** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |  | English | 2.5 | Aug-DecJan-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-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Maine (Orono)](http://www.umaine.edu/) | Orono ME **USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Southern Maine](http://www.usm.maine.edu/) | Portland ME**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Bridgewater State University](http://www.bridgew.edu/) | Bridgewater MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English | 2.5 | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Fitchburg State University](http://www.fitchburgstate.edu/) | Fitchburg MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Framingham State University](http://www.framingham.edu/) | Framingham MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts](http://www.mcla.edu/) | North Adams MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Nichols College](http://www.nichols.edu/) | Dudley MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Massachusetts Boston](http://www.umb.edu/) | Boston MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Massachusetts Dartmouth](http://www.umassd.edu/) | North Dartmouth MA **USA** | Check the host institution website | English | 2.5 | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Colby-Sawyer College](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/) | New London NH**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Rhode Island](http://www.uri.edu/) | Kingston RI**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Castleton University](http://www.castleton.edu/) | Castleton VT**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Vermont State University (formerly Northern Vermont University)](https://www.northernvermont.edu/)  | Johnson/Lyndonville VT **USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-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-DecJan-May |  |
| [Arizona State University](http://www.asu.edu/) | Tempe AZ**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Bridgewater State University](http://www.bridgew.edu/) | Bridgewater MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [Clemson University](http://www.clemson.edu/) | Clemson SC**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Florida Polytechnic University](https://floridapolytechnic.org/) | Lakeland FL**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-Apr |  |
| [Ithaca College](http://www.ithaca.edu/) | Ithaca NY**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Miami Dade College](http://www.mdc.edu/) | Miami FL**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [Smith College](http://www.smith.edu/) | Northampton MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [State University of New York College at Plattsburgh](http://web.plattsburgh.edu/) | Plattsburgh NY**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of California at Irvine](https://www.uci.edu/) | Irvine CA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Hawaiʻi at Mānoa](http://manoa.hawaii.edu/) | Honolulu HI**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Maine](https://umaine.edu/) | Orono ME**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Texas at Austin](http://www.utexas.edu/) | Austin TX**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Virginia](https://www.virginia.edu/) | Charlottesville VA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sept-DecJan-May |  |
| [University of Washington](http://www.washington.edu/) | Seattle WA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Sep-DecJan-MarMar-Jun |  |
| [Wellesley College](http://www.wellesley.edu/) | Wellesley MA**USA** | Check the host institution website | English |  | Aug-DecJan-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) 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), 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) |