Courses
Departmental Exchange students will work with their departmental coordinator at the UW to register for classes. Undergraduates on departmental exchanges are admitted to a specific department. Communicate with your UW departmental exchange coordinator for specific questions about course selection.

As a visiting graduate students will apply to the specific department to which they have been nominated, through the graduate school. Once admitted students will be expected to largely take courses within the department to which you applied.

Students must attend the UW on a full-time basis. A full-time course load is 12-18 UW credits per quarter (10-18 credits for graduate students). 18 credits is the maximum. Quarters run for 10 weeks each. Incoming exchange students typically take three or four 100- to 400-level courses with each course carrying 3-5 UW credits.

Exchange students are responsible for ensuring that the credits they receive will transfer back to their home institution.

Course Descriptions and Time Schedule
The following links show course descriptions for all UW courses. See the Time Schedule to determine which courses are offered during which term.

All UW Courses
www.washington.edu/students/crscat
Time Schedule
www.washington.edu/students/timeschd

Learning Expectations
Class formats include lecture and discussion, in-class presentations and case studies. Grading is based on papers, group projects, case studies, class participation and exams. Exam formats may vary. Typically exams are held during the final week of the quarter.

UW Study Abroad
Contact Information

International Agreements
agreements@uw.edu

Inbound Exchange Inquiries
uwexchanges@uw.edu

Outbound Exchange (from the UW to your university)
Each department has their own departmental coordinator who you should be in communication with.

For general study abroad outbound exchange questions you can email Lauren Easterling at laurenee@uw.edu

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Monday through Friday, 10am to 4pm

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Seattle, WA 98195-5815
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**Important Links and Instructions**

Nomination Link: [https://forms.gle/rhrK5eRNd2ob9NG58](https://forms.gle/rhrK5eRNd2ob9NG58)

*Please nominate students using this form. We are no longer using the nomination code system.*

Please submit your nominations one month prior to student’s application deadlines. When you nominate your students, they will automatically be sent an email with a link to our application and instructions on how to complete their application.

*Please note that our university-wide exchange agreements are for undergraduate students only*

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**Timeline**

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**Application Requirements**

**GPA:** Equivalent of 3.0/4.0

**Verification of English Proficiency**

Every exchange visitor must possess sufficient proficiency in English to successfully participate in the program and function on a day-to-day basis. Federal law requires sponsors use and retain evidence of one of the following “objective measurements” to determine the student’s language proficiency.

**TOEFL (IBT):** 83 undergraduate students, 92* graduate students

*Some graduate departments may have a higher language and/or GPA requirement.

**IELTS:** 7.0 for both graduate and undergraduate students

*Undergraduate admissions has decided to continue accepting Duolingo, TOEFL iBT special home edition, and the IELTS Indicator at home exam for 2022-2023 admission cycle.*
The Exchange Experience

Important Links and Information

**Visiting Exchange Student Website**  
https://www.washington.edu/studyabroad/visitingexchange/

**UW Academic Calendar** (for start and end dates of each quarter, course registration dates, finals and more)  
http://www.washington.edu/students/reg/calendar.html

**Housing Information**  
On campus housing is available for students who indicate they are interested in on campus housing in their UW exchange application, and who apply by the housing priority deadline. There are also many off campus options should students choose to live off campus.  
http://www.washington.edu/studyabroad/visitingexchange/practical-matters/housing/

**Estimated Expenses**  
As part of the exchange agreement, students will receive a waiver of tuition and technology fees up to 18 credits. Please note that the following fees are not covered by your tuition waiver:

- U-PASS (bus pass)
- UW International Student Health Insurance Plan (iSHIP)  
  - https://iss.washington.edu/resources/health-insurance/
- Course fees – if applicable (Some courses charge additional fees for instructional and/or laboratory costs that are not covered by the tuition waiver.)


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With over 1,000 Registered Student Organizations, countless recreational sports and events for every interest, students will have no problem staying busy while at the UW!  
https://www.washington.edu/studentlife/groups-activities/

Often held the week before classes start, all students should plan to attend FIUTS Embark Exchange Orientation. This is an opportunity to meet other exchange students, and learn the ins and outs of the University of Washington!  
https://www.fiuts.org/embark

UW Study Abroad will pay for one electronic transcript to be sent to the email address of the student’s choice at the end of the exchange period.  
https://www.washington.edu/studyabroad/visitingexchange/academics/