



International Exchange Programs – General Information & Fact Sheet

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Academic Calendar	Autumn Quarter: Late September – Mid December Winter Quarter: Early January – Mid March Spring Quarter: Late March – Mid June Academic Calendar University Holidays	
Application Process	Application Process Online	
Application Deadlines & Eligible Academic Quarters	For Autumn Quarter: Submit by March 1 st For Winter Quarter: Submit by August 1 st For Spring Quarter: Submit by August 1 st Summer Quarter: Not available	
English Language Proficiency	TOEFL (IBT) score of 83; IELTS score of 7.0; or UW-approved equivalent	
Pre-departure Guide for Incoming Students	See Pre-departure Guide Online .	
Regarding Courses & Course Registration	<p>Students may take any undergraduate economics (ECON) courses, provided that they meet the prerequisites. Students will be in contact with an adviser regarding registration. Students may be able to take courses outside the Department of Economics offerings, on a space-available basis.</p> <p>For graduate-level coursework, or for courses outside of the Department of Economics, please email Patrick Pineda at econadv@uw.edu for eligibility & procedure.</p> <p>Check the Time Schedule for course offerings, and the UW Study Abroad Guide to Registration.</p>	

Regarding Academic Quarters & Credits	<p>The University of Washington operates on a Quarter System. Each Quarter is 10-weeks, followed by a Final Exam week. For the conversion of quarter credits to your home institution, please see your exchange coordinator.</p> <p>Students may register for 12-18 credits per quarter for full-time status. UW courses can range from 1-5 credits each. Most ECON courses are 5 credits each. Average credit load is around 15 credits per quarter.</p> <p>International students are required to have 12 credits registered for each academic quarter of study.</p> <p>One 5-credit course means that there are approximately 5 classroom hours per week, for 10 weeks.</p>
Grading System	See Grading System .
Housing & Accommodations	See Practical Matters .
Health Insurance	<p>Washington State law (WAC 478-160-260) requires that all international students on temporary visas have accidental injury and illness insurance while attending the University of Washington. Federal law (22 CFR Section 62.14) requires that all J-1 exchange visitors and their dependents obtain health insurance for the duration of their participation at the UW which meets the minimum specified criteria. Therefore, students are required to either purchase the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) or to establish to the University's satisfaction that you have comparable coverage from a U.S.-based company that complies with all applicable UW policies, as well as state and federal laws. For more detailed information regarding the Student Health Insurance Plan, visit the Student Health Insurance Plan website.</p> <p>The requirement that you purchase the UW Student Health Insurance Plan may be waived only if you meet certain eligibility criteria <i>and</i> have comparable insurance that is valid in the U.S. For more information on those requirements and the Insurance Waiver in general see the International Students Services webpage.</p>
Estimated Expenses	See Cost of Attendance .
Visa Information	See UW Study Abroad Pre-Arrival Checklist .
Academic Transcripts	<p>Official UW Transcripts are not automatically dispersed to students. Students must order their transcripts. It is recommended for students to order two Official Transcripts – One for their home institution, and one for their personal records.</p> <p>Unofficial Transcripts (PDF) may be requested by emailing econadv@uw.edu.</p>
Other Useful Resources	Foundation for International Understanding Through Students (FIUTS) UW International Student Services About the UW UW Student Life UW YouTube Visiting Seattle