



GLOBAL PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIPS Fact Sheet for Partners



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Nomination and Application Procedures

The exchange coordinator at the partner university will fill out our **Online Nomination Form** for students they have selected to participate in the exchange.

Nomination Deadlines: September 15 (spring), March 1 (fall/academic year)

Application Deadlines: October 1 (spring), March 15 (fall/academic year)

Nominated students will receive an email with the instructions for applying online. They will upload the following documents into their application:

- Copy of the passport identity page - Passport valid for 6 months beyond program
- Official university transcript
- Certificate of financial support
- Proof of English proficiency (if applicable)
- Buddy Program form (optional)

English Proficiency

If proof of English proficiency is required, the following tests are accepted including the minimum score: TOEFL (95), IELTS (6.5 band), or Duolingo English Test (DET 115)

Academic Calendar (2022-2023)

➤ <https://secfac.wisc.edu/academic-calendar/#2022-2023>

Fall 2022	
2 September	Orientation (Mandatory)
5 September	Labor Day holiday (The university is closed.)
7 September	Instruction begins
24-27 November	Thanksgiving recess
14 December	Last day of classes
16-22 December	Final exams
Spring 2023	
20 January	Orientation (Mandatory)
24 January	Instruction begins
11-29 March	Spring break
5 May	Last day of classes
7-12 May	Final exams



Contact

Global Programs and Partnerships
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Grainger Hall



Memorial Union



Downtown Madison

Visa

All non-U.S. citizens must have a student visa. Students will receive a DS-2019 which is used to apply for a J-1 student visa. Please keep the DS-2019 expiration date in mind. Students must leave the U.S. within 30 days of this date. However, students interested in participating in an internship following their exchange program can work with Han Sol Meinig and ISS in order to request an extension.

Additional advising regarding visa status is provided by International Student Services (ISS) at iss.wisc.edu.

New Partnerships?

Contact:
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Housing

On-campus housing is in high demand and cannot be guaranteed. Incoming exchange students should also be prepared to live off campus. Undergraduate students who are interested in living on campus should send an email to assignme@housing.wisc.edu after being nominated and include their full name and 10-digit UW ID number. Meal plans are required for most on-campus housing options. UW-Madison's [Campus Area Housing](#) page has information and listings of apartments that are currently available for rent in the Madison area.

Cost of Living

U.S. Immigration requires that incoming exchange students show proof of sufficient funds to qualify for a J1 visa (At least \$8,600 USD for one semester or \$17,200 USD for an academic year)

- Local transportation: Students receive a free bus pass to access [Madison Metro Public Transit](#).
- Students do not pay tuition to UW as a selected participant on an exchange program.
- **Estimated Cost of Attendance** is outlined by the Office of Student Financial Aid.

Mandatory SHIP Health Insurance: Non-U.S. students are required to purchase this plan. Contact SHIP for more information: uhs.wisc.edu/ship

Rates for 2022-2023

- Fall semester: \$690 if younger than 26 years old, \$1,035 if 26 or older
- Spring/summer semester: \$966 if younger than 26 years old, \$1,449 if 26 or older

Pro Tip

The online application can be accessed here: <https://my.studyabroad.wisc.edu/exchange>. **We ask that you do not publish this link to a public website, and only give it to nominated students.** Exchange coordinators are welcome to create their own "student" account in order to view the application materials. Students should Register as a New User in the "Non-NetID Login" section.



Why Wisconsin?

Madison is the capital of the State of Wisconsin. It offers the perfect combination of natural beauty, cultural offerings, outdoor recreation, distinctive restaurants, and vibrant nightlife. Founded in 1900, the Wisconsin School of Business established one of the first five business programs in the nation. That entrepreneurial spirit remains, guiding how the School inspires students and the world through research and learning experiences. In 2020, the undergraduate business program was ranked #7 among U.S. public universities, second for real estate, and first for risk management & insurance by *U.S. News & World Report*.

More information about Madison is available online at madison.wisc.edu.

Academic Environment

Areas of concentration/majors: Accounting; Actuarial Science; Finance, Investment, & Banking; Information Systems; International Business; Management & Human Resources; Marketing; Operations & Technology Management; Real Estate; Risk Management & Insurance.

Language of Instruction: English

- Academic courses are available in English as a Second Language (ESL): esl.wisc.edu

Academic Expectations:

- Grading:** Final grades are often based on consistent attendance, exams, projects, regular homework, and class participation. Grades are from A-F, usually based on a percentage scale.
- Course load:** Courses are typically three credits per class. As required by U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Services, undergraduates must take between 12-18 credits and graduate students must take between 8-18 credits.
- Examinations:** Exam formats vary. Final exams are typically held during the 16th week of the semester and students are required to stay until after their last exam. No exceptions can be made.
- Course choice:** Exchange students may register for courses in most departments at the university, as long as the class has space, the prerequisites have been satisfied, and the class has not been reserved for certain students. Please note that many graduate level business courses are not open to exchange students.

Student Services

Global Programs provides assistance to exchange students prior to their arrival in Madison and throughout their stay on campus. In addition, we arrange an orientation program and a buddy program.

- Orientation:** Students participate in activities and receive information along with other new exchange students to the university.
- Buddy Program:** Global Programs will match exchange students with current Wisconsin School of Business student volunteers. Exchange students may contact their buddies prior to arrival in Madison. When possible, the buddies will meet the exchange students upon arrival in Madison. The buddy program is informal and the amount of interaction between buddies depends upon the initiative of both students.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison campus and the Wisconsin School of Business are rich with services and facilities available to all students.

- Academic Advising:** Each exchange student receives academic advising from business school staff, as well as support from the University Special & Guest Student office.
- Career Coaches:** Exchange students have access to career coaches to discuss CVs internships, and managing career expectations with U.S. businesses.
- Student Organizations:** The business school sponsors numerous student organizations related to business and academic issues. The campus offers hundreds of other organizations, including social, religious, and service organizations.
- Computer Services:** Exchange students have access to computer labs in Grainger Hall, as well as the university's dozens of other computer labs.
- Sports and Recreational Facilities:** Students may use the university's sport facilities (cardio rooms, weights, swimming pools, tracks, basketball courts, racquetball courts, etc.) for no additional cost. Unlimited group fitness classes cost \$30 per semester.