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University of South Carolina

USC Exchange Factsheet 2023-2024

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University Website	http://www.sc.edu/	
Contact information for exchange activities, including phone number, fax and email	Ashlan Andrews scexchange@sc.edu If unavailable, please contact: International Student & Scholar Support Office Tel: +1 (803) 777-7461 iss@sc.edu In the event of an after-hours emergency, please call UofSC Campus Police at 803-777-4215. This number is monitored 24/7 and Campus Police will be in communication with Education Abroad Office staff.	
Academic calendar with holiday dates (Semesters or terms)	Fall Semester: August 24, 2023 – December 8, 2023 Spring Semester: January 8, 2024 – April 22, 2024 For detailed dates please visit UofSC Academic Calendar .	
Exam dates	Fall Semester: December 11– December 18, 2023 Spring Semester: April 24 – May 1, 2024	
Deadlines for the <u>nomination</u> of exchange students for each term	March 15 – Fall Semester or Academic Year September 15 – Spring Semester *Link to nominations page will be sent via email.	
Deadlines for <u>receipt of application forms</u>	April 15 – Fall Semester or Academic Year October 15 – Spring Semester *This includes the Mobility online application and the USC Admissions application. Please advise your students to complete BOTH applications.	
English proficiency requirements *varies on the exchange agreement. If you need confirmation, please email scexchange@sc.edu	General/University-wide exchanges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TOEFL 550 paper-based exam, 77 internet-based exams - IELTS 6.5 - Duolingo 115 	Darla Moore School of Business (DMSB) specific exchanges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TOEFL 600 paper-based exam, 100 internet-based exam - IELTS 7.0 - Duolingo 115
Initial application forms needed	1) Special Application for Non-Degree Students (online application, link will be sent to students each term) 2) Application for Immigration Document	

	<p><i>Documents 3-8 should be uploaded to the student's Mobility Account. Students will be given complete instructions following nomination.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3) English-proficiency official scores, mentioned above. <u>**use code 5818 for UofSC and send an unofficial copy to our office</u> IELTS 6.5 Be advised that accepted scores may vary depending on exchange agreements 4) Photocopy of official transcripts 5) Immunization Form 6) Certification of Financial Support Form: estimates for I-20 issuance only per federal regulation. (This is not a bill.) Exchange students must certify for living expenses (housing, food, books, health insurance, miscellaneous) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. \$10,805 US per semester (4 months)* b. \$23,422 US per academic year (9 months)* *estimates are subject to change 7) Photocopy of passport (high resolution scan please) 8) USC Learning Agreement, uploaded to Mobility (includes suggested list of courses for enrollment)
<p>Expected Costs</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <u>I-901</u> SEVIS Fee submitted to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security: \$350 for F-1 students. Pay here. 2) <u>Required student insurance</u>: see "Medical Insurance" line item below. 3) <u>On-campus housing</u>: The cost of housing varies with each residence hall and ranges from \$3,000 to \$5,000, per semester. Please view this webpage for a list of residence hall rates and any fees associated with on-campus housing. 4) <u>Other Enrollment and University Fees:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$200/semester Exchange Student Fee • \$200/semester required University Technology Fee • \$100 early move in fee for fall semester exchange students (exchange students need to arrive early to complete orientation and arrival steps necessary for incoming international students). • Other fees may be assessed based on classes, credit hours, and/or living arrangements. Please see list of campus fees on the Bursar's website.
<p>Medical Insurance *Insurance costs are based upon academic year 2022-2023 and are subject to change</p>	<p>USC students are required to enroll in health insurance. The university plan and benefits can be viewed here. The cost for the 2022-2023 academic year of insurance through USC was \$1,261 for the fall semester and \$1,722 for the spring semester. For USC's health insurance requirements please read more here.</p> <p>The insurance costs for 2023-2024 have not been updated yet, but they will be similar to the costs for 2022-2023.</p>
<p>Application forms and information sent <u>AFTER</u> acceptance (emailed to the student by Exchange Coordinator)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Information to set-up USC email and Student Health Services accounts 2) Online Housing Application 3) Citizenship Verification Hold and Advising Hold information 4) Arrival Date Information Form 5) Request for airport pick-up (optional)

<p>Courses of study which are open to exchange students</p> <p>*Courses available during the fall semester (August-December) will be posted in mid-March. Courses available during the spring semester (January-May) will be posted in mid-November.</p>	<p>Courses are offered on a per semester basis only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For a list of general course descriptions, go to the UofSC course bulletin. • For a list of business course descriptions, go to the Darla Moore School of Business bulletin. • For course availability by semester please visit the master schedule of classes. 	<p>Prohibited areas of study include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law - Medicine - Pharmacy - Honors - Palmetto College - Ft. Jackson - Capstone Scholars - PMBA or Graduate level coursework - More restricted sections on this document, under #4.
<p>Type of accommodation offered</p> <p>*Exchange students are <u>required</u> to live on-campus.</p>	<p>All exchange students are placed in residence halls that remain open during university breaks and that have kitchen facilities. These options can vary based on availability. Exchange students can be placed anywhere on-campus and usually live in the Quads, Carolina International House at Maxcy College (Maxcy), Bates-West or any of the Horseshoe apartments. Housing is guaranteed but preferences are not.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For more information on housing at UofSC, please visit this Virtual Housing Tour. • Click here for more info on the International House at Maxcy College. 	
<p>Meal plans</p>	<p>USC offers several meal plan options at a variety of on-campus dining locations. Meal plans are <u>not</u> required. Students who do not wish to purchase a standard meal plan may use their CarolinaCard to purchase individual meals at Campus dining facilities. For meal plan options visit Campus Dining.</p>	
<p>Student Card</p>	<p>All new students will be issued a UofSC student card, called the "Carolina Card". This card serves as a student ID and library card, and allows access to a variety of on campus services such as dining, photocopying, health services, bookstore, etc.</p>	
<p>Introductory Orientation</p>	<p>1 week – dates vary by term More arrival information will be sent to students upon receipt of their applications.</p>	
<p>Global Gamecocks Guide Programming</p>	<p>The Global Gamecock Guides program was created to better support both incoming exchange students and local UofSC Education abroad returnees. Exchange students who participate in the program will be paired with a UofSC student who will help guide their Education abroad experience here in South Carolina. Guides will help introduce students to campus resources, local events, and opportunities to get involved in the community. More information about the program, including a list of events, can be found here.</p>	