

UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE FACT SHEET



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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must be nominated by their home university to study on exchange at Bentley University. Students are advised to have a minimum score of 80 on the internet-based TOEFL test or a 7 on the IELTS in order to have the necessary English language skills to succeed here. These tests are not required for admission. An Attestation of English Language Proficiency is required for each student at the time of nomination.

APPLICATION TO BENTLEY

Once applicants are nominated by their home university adviser, Bentley will send them an email with login and application instructions. Applications for the fall semester are due in mid-March. Applications for the spring semester are due by the end of September.

PERIOD OF EXCHANGE

One semester or one academic year

LEVEL OF STUDY FOR INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Undergraduate or Graduate depending on partner agreement

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

English

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Term dates for the academic year 2021-2022.*

FALL 2021 SEMESTER

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|-----------------------|---|
| Arrival | Wednesday, September 1, 2021 |
| Mandatory Orientation | Thursday, September 2, 2021 - Sunday, September 5, 2021 |
| Labor Day | Monday, September 6, 2021 |
| Classes Begin | Tuesday, September 7, 2021 |
| October Break | October 9 -11, 2021 |
| Thanksgiving Break | November 24 - 28, 2021 |
| Final Exams | December 8 - 15, 2021 |

SPRING 2022 SEMESTER

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| Arrival | Wednesday, January 5, 2022 |
| Mandatory Orientation | Thursday, January 6, 2022 - Sunday, January 9, 2022 |
| Classes Begin | Monday, January 10, 2022 |
| Extra Day of Class | Not currently scheduled; subject to change |
| Presidents Day (CLASSES HELD) | Monday, February 14, 2022 |
| Spring Break | March 5 -13, 2022 |
| Patriots Day No Day Classes (EVENING CLASSES HELD) | Monday, April 18, 2022 |
| Final Exams | April 27 to May 4, 2022 |

* These dates are subject to change and final information will be sent to students in their acceptance packets.





IMPORTANT LINKS

Students who have questions about Bentley University can make use of the resources found on our [homepage](#). Students might be particularly interested in the links to “Academics” and “Campus Life.”

PROGRAMS AND DEPARTMENTS

- Accountancy
- Computer Information Systems (CIS)
- Economics
- English
- Finance
- General Business
- Global Studies
- History
- Information Design and Corporate Communication (IDCC)
- Information and Process Management (IPM)
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Law, Tax and Financial Planning
- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematical Sciences
- Modern Languages
- Natural and Applied Sciences (NASC)
- Optional Language Courses for International Students
- Philosophy
- Sociology
- Statistics

All course descriptions can be found on the [Registrar’s website](#). Once on the site, select *Undergraduate Course Descriptions*.

OPTIONAL LANGUAGE COURSES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

EXP 102 Expository Writing I: Critical Thinking and Writing
 EXP 202 Expository Writing II: Advanced Inquiry in Writing

FULL-TIME WORKLOAD

A full time workload is 12-18 credits per semester. Most courses are 3 credits each. The suggested workload each semester, typical of most Bentley students, is five courses for 3 credits each. Exchange students must take a minimum of four courses per semester. The maximum possible is six courses per semester.

COST OF PROGRAM

Full tuition waivers are granted for non-degree exchange students from partner universities. Students are required to pay fees for personal and living expenses, listed below.

HEALTH INSURANCE

All exchange students will be required to purchase the Bentley University student health insurance. Students will receive information about their health insurance electronically, and will be automatically enrolled in the insurance program so that it is in effect and students are covered when they arrive on campus.

2021-2022 FEES PER SEMESTER (ESTIMATED)

| Fee | Semester exchange students | Full-year exchange students |
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| On-campus housing (undergraduate students only) | \$5,390 – \$6,130 (depending on room assignment) | \$10,780 – \$12,260 (depending on room assignment) |
| Meal Plan (if applicable) | \$1,230 – \$3,210 | \$2,460 – \$6,420 |
| Technology fee | \$680 | \$1,360 |
| Student Activities fee | \$205 | \$410 |
| Health Insurance | \$811 (fall) or \$1,114 (spring) | \$1,919 |
| Books (estimated) | \$650 | \$1,300 |
| Personal (estimated) | \$775 | \$1,550 |



J-1 VISA DOCUMENTS

Upon acceptance, Bentley University issues a DS-2019 form for all exchange students, which is used to apply for a visa at the US Embassy in the student's home country.

ACCOMMODATION

On-campus accommodations are guaranteed for all nominated exchange students. The Residential Center will do its best to place exchange students in the accommodations of their choice. Most exchange students are placed in shared rooms (singles are rarely available). Off-campus housing is an option, but Bentley does not provide assistance in finding off-campus housing; we recommend students live on campus to maximize engagement with local students. Bentley University is approximately 12 miles from the city of Boston. We provide regular free shuttle bus service (a 30-minute ride) to Harvard Square in Cambridge; the city of Boston lies just over the river from Cambridge and thus is easily accessible.

EXAMS/GRADING

| Grade Equivalent | Alphabetical Equivalent | Numerical Equivalent |
|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 4.0 | A | 95-100 |
| 3.7 | A- | 90-94 |
| 3.3 | B+ | 87-89 |
| 3.0 | B | 83-86 |
| 2.7 | B- | 80-82 |
| 2.3 | C+ | 77-79 |
| 2.0 | C | 73-76 |
| 1.7 | C- | 70-72 |
| 1.3 | D+ | 67-69 |
| 1.0 | D | 63-66 |
| 0.7 | D- | 60-62 |
| 0 | F | below 60 |

FACILITIES

Exchange students have full access to all resources at Bentley. This includes the library, cafeterias, computer labs, the Trading Room, the Center for Marketing Technology, the Accounting Center for Electronic Learning and Business Measurement, and other specialized facilities.

Bentley also provides a variety of athletic facilities including a pool, weight room, tennis courts and cardiovascular equipment.

COURSE REGISTRATION

Applicants for the fall term will register for courses online in late March-early April. Applicants for the spring term will register for courses online in late October to early November. Bentley will send detailed registration instructions to students well in advance of the course registration period. Occasionally, students need to change or add courses upon arrival at Bentley. A drop/add period lasts throughout the first week of courses.



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