International Student Exchange Fact Sheet 2023-2024

Name of University | Florida International University (FIU)
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| Fall Semester - Dates | Spring Semester - Dates |
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Nomination Deadline | February 15, 2023 | August 1, 2023
Application Deadline | March 15, 2023 | September 1, 2023
Orientation Sessions | August 18, 2023 | January 5, 2024
Beginning of Classes | August 21, 2023 | January 8, 2024
End of classes | December 9, 2023 (including exams) | April 27, 2024 (including exams)

Application Information

Type of Agreement | Student Exchange
Application Documents | OEA will send updated application instructions directly to partner contacts. Upon acceptance of student nominations, students must complete and submit the following documents to the online application portal:
- Online Non-Degree Form (separate form, not included in online ISE application)
- Exchange Application Questionnaires
- Policy Signature Documents
- Declaration of Finances and Bank Verification Form
- TOEFL or IELTS Scores
- Immunization Forms
- Exchange Student Course Selection Form
- Scan/copy of Passport
- Academic Transcripts (students must have a minimum 3.0/4.0 GPA)
- Insurance Enrollment Form
- Housing Contract (to be submitted online)

Language Assessment | FIU will only accept the following to meet the language assessment requirements:
- TOEFL: IBT minimum score: 80 or PBT minimum score 550
- IELTS: Minimum score 6.5
## Academic Information

### Level/Courses/Programs offered (per agreement)

Undergraduate and Graduate – FIU offers both Undergraduate (courses numbered 1000-4000 level) and Graduate courses (courses numbered 5000 or above). The terms of our specific agreement, as well as balance and availability, determine whether we can accept Undergraduate, Graduate, or both types of students from your institution. Please note that courses and programs in the College of Medicine and the College of Law are excluded from all exchange agreements.

### Course Load per semester

- Undergrad: 12 credits minimum, 15 credits maximum (4-5 classes)
- Graduate: 9 credits minimum, 12 credits maximum (3-4 classes)

### Credit System

FIU uses the Carnegie Unit system. In this system, most standard courses are 3 credit hours each.

### Language of Instruction

English

### Course Information

Courses lists are available for review by college and department here: [https://m.fiu.edu/catalog/index.php](https://m.fiu.edu/catalog/index.php) Please note course availability is very limited in the following departments: Finance, Accounting, Communication (Advertising, Journalism, Public Relations), Nursing, Nutrition and Dietetics. There are no Pharmacy courses. Additionally, certain courses are not open to exchange students, including, but not limited to:

- Graduate Business/Finance courses: Unless institution specifically has a Graduate Business exchange agreement. Even then, graduate business exchange places are part of professional programs and only available on a case by case basis.
- Graduate Engineering & Mass Communication Courses
- Capstone courses: These are reserved for graduating degree-seeking FIU students
- Courses offered at “Virtual Undergraduate Campus”

### Course Selection Procedure

Students submit course schedule request & proof of prerequisite completion, if applicable, to OEA. Once prerequisite reviews are complete, OEA registers exchange students for courses. Proof of prerequisite completion is especially important for courses in certain departments (Business, Communications, Sciences, Computer Sciences/Information Technology, Social Work, Engineering, Education etc.).

### Cost Information

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### Additional Information

#### Accommodation

On-Campus Housing (depending on stipulations of our agreement): OEA notifies accepted exchange students once the exchange housing application is available. More information available: [https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/campus-services/housing-and-residential-life/](https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/campus-services/housing-and-residential-life/)

#### Health Insurance

International Exchange Students are required to purchase health insurance through FIU as the policy meets all requirements for an exchange student visa.

#### Visa

All non-US citizens need a visa to study at FIU as an exchange student. OEA will mail the student an acceptance letter and a DS-2019 form needed to apply for a J-1 exchange visa once the student is admitted to FIU. Students are responsible for applying for their own visas through the U.S. Department of State.

#### Campus Resources & Facilities

- Exchange/Education Abroad Office: [https://studyabroad.fiu.edu/](https://studyabroad.fiu.edu/)
- Library: [https://library.fiu.edu/](https://library.fiu.edu/)
- Campus Dining: [https://shop.fiu.edu/dining/](https://shop.fiu.edu/dining/)