



# International Student Exchange Fact Sheet 2024-2025

## Education Abroad

<b>Name of University</b>	Florida International University (FIU)
<b>Exchange Office</b>	Office of Education Abroad (OEA)
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	Fall Semester - Dates	Spring Semester - Dates
Nomination Deadline	February 16, 2024	August 2, 2024
Application Deadline	March 15, 2024	September 1, 2024
Orientation Sessions	August 23, 2024	January 3, 2025
Beginning of Classes	August 26, 2024	January 6, 2025
End of classes	December 14, 2024 (including exams)	April 26, 2025 (including exams)

Application Information	
<b>Type of Agreement</b>	Student Exchange
<b>Application Documents</b>	<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Non-Degree Form (separate form, not included in online ISE application)</li> <li>• Exchange Application Questionnaires</li> <li>• Policy Signature Documents</li> <li>• Declaration of Finances and Bank Verification Form</li> <li>• TOEFL or IELTS Scores</li> <li>• Immunization Forms</li> <li>• Exchange Student Course Selection Form</li> <li>• Scan/copy of Passport</li> <li>• Academic Transcripts (students must have a minimum 3.0/4.0 GPA)</li> <li>• Insurance Enrollment Form</li> <li>• Housing Contract (to be submitted online)</li> </ul>
<b>Language Assessment</b>	<p>FIU will accept the following to meet the language assessment requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TOEFL: IBT minimum score: 80 <b>or</b> PBT minimum score 550</li> <li>• IELTS: Minimum score 6.5</li> </ul>

Academic Information	
Level/Courses/Programs offered (per agreement)	<p><b>Undergraduate and Graduate</b> – FIU offers both Undergraduate (courses numbered 1000-4000 level) and Graduate courses (courses numbered 5000 or above).</p> <p><i>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.</i></p> <p><b>Please note</b> that courses and programs in the College of Medicine and the College of Law are <b>excluded</b> from all exchange agreements. Courses in the graduate programs are limited.</p>
Course Load per semester	<p>Undergrad: 12 credits minimum, 15 credits maximum (4-5 classes)</p> <p>Graduate: 9 credits minimum, 12 credits maximum (3-4 classes)</p>
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	<p>Courses lists are available for review by college and department here: <a href="https://m.fiu.edu/catalog/index.php">https://m.fiu.edu/catalog/index.php</a> Please note course availability is <b>very limited</b> in the following departments: <b>Finance, Accounting, Communication (Advertising, Journalism, Public Relations), Nursing, Nutrition and Dietetics. There are no Pharmacy courses.</b></p> <p>Additionally, certain courses are NOT open to exchange students, including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduate Business/Finance courses: Unless the 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.</li> <li>• Graduate Engineering &amp; Mass Communication Courses</li> <li>• Capstone courses: These are reserved for graduating degree-seeking FIU students.</li> <li>• Courses offered at “Virtual Undergraduate Campus”</li> </ul>
Course Selection Procedure	<p>Students submit course schedule request &amp; proof of prerequisite completion, if applicable, to OEA. Once pre-requisite 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.).</p>

Cost Information		
<b>Expenses</b> <b>A <i>per-semester</i> estimate (USD)</b> <b>for exchange students living on campus</b>	Tuition & Fees	<i>Waived per Exchange Agreement</i>
	Student ID	\$10
	Tax Compliance Fee	\$10 to \$20
	Accommodation	\$4,222
	Meal Plan	\$2,028
	Books & Supplies	\$675
	Health Insurance Plan	\$1,212
	Miscellaneous	\$2,500
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,662</b>

Additional Information	
Accommodation	<p><b>On-Campus Housing</b> (depending on stipulations of our agreement): OEA notifies accepted exchange students once the exchange housing application is available. More information available: <a href="https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/campus-services/housing-and-residential-life/">https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/campus-services/housing-and-residential-life/</a></p>
Health Insurance	<p>International Exchange Students are <b>required</b> to purchase health insurance through FIU as the policy meets all requirements for an exchange student visa.</p>
Visa	<p>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 <b>J-1 exchange visa</b> once the student is admitted to FIU. Students are responsible for applying for their own visas through the U.S. Department of State.</p>
Campus Resources & Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exchange/Education Abroad Office: <a href="https://studyabroad.fiu.edu/">https://studyabroad.fiu.edu/</a></li> <li>• Library: <a href="https://library.fiu.edu/">https://library.fiu.edu/</a></li> <li>• Campus Dining: <a href="https://shop.fiu.edu/dining/">https://shop.fiu.edu/dining/</a></li> <li>• Clubs and Organizations: <a href="https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/get-involved/clubs-and-organizations/index.php">https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/get-involved/clubs-and-organizations/index.php</a></li> <li>• Student Wellness &amp; Recreation Center: <a href="http://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/health-and-fitness/recreation/index.php">http://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/health-and-fitness/recreation/index.php</a></li> <li>• Student Health Services: <a href="http://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/health-and-fitness/student-health/">http://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/health-and-fitness/student-health/</a></li> </ul>

