



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS: Fact Sheet for Partners

Nomination and Application Procedures

To nominate students, the international relations office at the partner university must send an email to incoming.exchange@wsb.wisc.edu including the student's name, class level, gender, date of birth, and citizenship.

Nomination Deadlines: March 1 (fall semester), September 15 (spring semester)

Application Deadlines: March 15 (fall semester), October 1 (spring semester)

There is an online application and submission of supporting documents. First, the nominated student will receive an email with the instructions for applying online. Then, the student must upload the following documents along with a copy of their passport ID page. Additional preference forms may also be requested by International Programs.

- A An official university transcript
- B A certificate of financial support
- C An application for a Student DS-2019 visa request form
- D TOEFL scores (if applicable)

Academic Calendar (2018-2019)

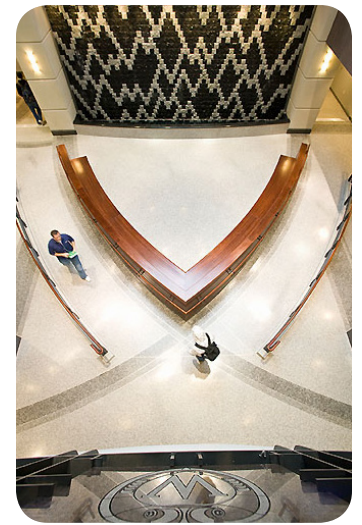
2018 Fall

31 August	Orientation session (Students will be sent details of orientation activities.)
3 September	Labor Day holiday (The university is closed.)
5 September	Instruction begins
22-25 November	Thanksgiving holiday (The university is closed.)
12 December	Last day of classes
14-20 December	Final exams

2019 Spring

TBA	Orientation session (Students will be sent details of orientation activities.)
22 January	Instruction begins
16-24 March	Spring break (The university is closed.)
3 May	Last day of classes
5-10 May	Final exams

More details can be found on our website
www.bus.wisc.edu/exchange



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Visa

All non-U.S. citizens must have a student visa. Visa request materials are sent with the exchange program acceptance packet after the electronic and paper applications have been processed at UW-Madison. Please keep the J-1 visa expiration date in mind, because students must leave the U.S. prior to this date. However, certain exceptions may be made if the student has arranged for an internship that starts prior to the expiration.

Additional advising about visa issues is provided by International Student Services (ISS) at www.iss.wisc.edu.

Cost of Living

U.S. Immigration requires that incoming exchange students show proof of \$7,200 USD for one semester or \$16,000 USD for one academic year in Madison.

Estimates for expenses (in USD) are:

- Housing and Food: \$5,800/semester
- Books and Supplies: \$560/semester
- Personal expenses: Personal expenses vary widely. Most students spend between \$350 and \$450 per month in Madison. Travel to other cities is not included in this estimate.
- Apartment set-up costs (such as bedding, utensils, cleaning supplies): approximately \$150/semester.
- Local transportation: Most students live within walking distance of Grainger Hall, home of the Wisconsin School of Business. Students receive a free bus pass for other local transportation.

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

Rates for 2017-2018

- Fall semester: \$580 if younger than 26, \$865 if 26 or older
- Spring semester: \$812 if younger than 26, \$1,211 if 26 or older

Housing

Undergraduate students have the option to apply for a room in a university residence hall. For university housing, applications are due by March 15 for the fall and November 1 for the spring. Housing contracts also require students to purchase a meal plan for on-campus dining facilities. Otherwise, students are responsible for finding their own housing.



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): www.wisc.edu/english/esl
- Student English tutors are available through GUTS: www.guts.studentorg.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 3 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

International 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: International 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 Advising: Exchange students have access to advisors to discuss CVs and other career issues.
- 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 \$30.00 per semester.

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 September 2013, the school was nationally ranked 18th overall, 1st for Real Estate, and 2nd for Risk Management and Insurance by U.S. News & World Report.

More information about Madison is available online at www.visitmadison.com