# UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

**EXCHANGE AND VISITING PROGRAM** 

# Fact Sheet



#### **EUGENE, OREGON**

- Metro Population: 380,000
- 24,000 students, 1,000 international
- 400 km of bike trails in town
- Portland: 1.5 hr drive
- Pacific Ocean: 1.5 hr drive
- Hiking and climbing: 10 min drive
- Camping and Skiing: 1 hr drive

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR



FALL 2024

Orientation mid Sep., 2024 Start Sep. 30, 2024

End Dec. 13, 2024

**WINTER 2025** 

Orientation early Jan., 2025

Start Jan. 6, 2025 End Mar. 21, 2025

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SPRING 2025

Orientation late Mar., 2025 Start Mar. 31, 2025

End Jun. 13, 2025



#### **ACADEMICS**

uoregon.edu/academics

#### **COURSE CATALOG**

catalog.uoregon.edu

#### **CAMPUS LIFE**

studentlife.uoregon.edu



#### ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OFOREGON

The University of Oregon is a public research university and a proud member of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU). The UO is renowned for its research prowess and commitment to teaching: the UO is a member of the Association of American Universities (AAU), a consortium of 65 leading research universities in North America. The UO is one of two AAU members in the Pacific Northwest, and the only one in Oregon. Founded in 1876, the institution's growing 295-acre green campus is situated along the Willamette River, within the city of Eugene, Oregon.

The UO is organized into 9 Colleges and Schools: the College of Arts and Sciences, the Lundquist College of Business, the College of Design, the College of Education, the Clark Honors College, the School of Journalism and Communication, the School of Music and Dance, the School of Law, and the Graduate School. Furthermore, UO offers 316 undergraduate and graduate degree programs. The UO has two additional campuses: one in Portland and one on the coast.

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#### **UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP**

Dr. John Karl Scholz, Ph.D., President Dr. Dennis Galvan, Ph.D.Dean and Vice Provost of Global Engagement Dr. Thomas Delaney, Ph.D. Director, American English Institute

#### **EXCHANGEPROGRAMCONTACTS**

Inbound, Outbound and Agreements (Asia and Oceania) <a href="mailto:exchange@uoregon.edu">exchange@uoregon.edu</a>

Outbound and Agreements (Americas, Europe, UK) Ms. Courtney Brost exchange@uoregon.edu

# EXCHANGEAND/ISITING STUDENT CONTACT (ADMITTED STUDENTS)

International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS)

#### intl@uoregon.edu

Your home away from home. Our team of professional advisors and coordinatorsisheretohelpallexchangeandvisitingstudentseverystepofthe way, during the good times and the bad times. The UO recognizes three categories of exchange students: Exchange Students (tuition/somefees waived); Visiting Students (fee-paying with/without discounts); and Sponsored Students (supported by a sponsor). Over 300 exchange, visiting, and sponsored students join us each year to study at the UO, joining the lively population of 22,000 domestic and international degree-seeking students already here.

isss.uoregon.edu/visiting-students

#### American English Institute (AEI)

AEI can help you improve your English skills and prepare academically before enrolling at the UO. We would be happy to help you apply to AEI to increase your English proficiency.

aei.uoregon.edu

# Academic Year 2024-2025

Contact Information		
Mailing Address	Oregon Hall, 300 W	
	5209 University of Oregon	
	Eugene, Oregon 97403	
	United States of America	
Telephone	+1 541-346-3206	
Contact: Inbound (all regions),	Please contact <u>exchange@uoregon.edu</u> – a member of our team	
Outbound, Agreements, and	will get back to you.	
Balances (Asia & Oceania)		
Contact: Outbound,	Ms. Courtney Brost	
Agreements, and Balances	Global Engagement Program Coordinator	
(Europe, UK, and Americas)	Division of Global Engagement	
	exchange@uoregon.edu	
Contact: Admitted Exchange or	International Student and Scholar Services	
Visiting Students only	intl@uoregon.edu	
Website	https://isss.uoregon.edu/exchange-visiting-students	

Academic Calendar		
Fall Term	Classes Start: September 30, 2024	
	Classes End: December 6, 2024	
	Finals Week: December 9-13, 2024	
Winter Term	Classes Start: January 6, 2025	
	Classes End: March 14, 2025	
	Finals Week: March 17-21, 2025	
Spring Term	Classes Start: March 31, 2025	
	Classes End: June 6, 2025	
	Finals Week: June 9-13, 2025	
Orientation	Incoming students should plan to attend international student orientation prior	
	to the start of their studies at the UO, generally the week before classes start.	
	Exact dates will be shared with admitted students once they are confirmed.	

# Nomination Procedure

All students who intend to participate in an exchange or visiting student program **must be nominated by their home university/sponsoring agency.** Please submit <u>this form</u> for each student you intend to nominate by the deadlines below.

Information required to nominate a student: the student's full name, email address, major, period of study, and level of study.

Nomination Deadlines	Fall Term: March 1		
	Winter Term: August 15		
	Spring Term: November 15		

### **Application Procedure**

Once students have been nominated, they will be provided a link to the online exchange application. To complete their applications, students will need to provide the following supporting documents:

- **1.** A photocopy of passport bio page. Passports should be valid for six months after the end of the student's study period. US citizens or dual citizens must include a copy of their US passport.
- **2. Official academic transcript.** If the transcript is not in English, please provide both a copy of the original document along with an English translation verified and approved by the host university program coordinator.
- 3. Official DET, IELTS or TOEFL score. The test must have been taken within two years of the student's intended enrollment date. Citizens of the following countries are exempt from showing English language proficiency: Anguilla, Antiqua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada (English-speaking provinces only), Cayman Islands, Dominica, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Montserrat, New Zealand, Nigeria, South Africa, St. Kits and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos, United Kingdom.

**Note:** In order for the University of Oregon to verify English language scores, TOEFL and DET scores must also be submitted to the UO directly through the test provider (ETS for TOEFL, Duolingo for DET). Sending score reports is free for DET tests, but there is a 20 USD fee to send scores to the UO via ETS. **To avoid any delay in application processing, students must submit both** a **PDF of their score report and evidence that they have requested the scores to be sent to the UO through their ETS or Duolingo account, as applicable.** The UO's institutional TOEFL code is 4846.

- <u>4. A statement of purpose</u>. Please describe why you are interested in studying at the UO (one page or less). Graduate Students must identify their intended host department in their statement of purpose.
- <u>5. Proof of financial support.</u> Financial documentation demonstrating sufficient financial resources to support your estimated cost of attendance. Please refer to the Cost Sheet on the final page of this document to review the estimated cost of attendance for your program. You can submit one or more documents including:
  - Personal or parents' bank statements
  - Sponsor's bank statement
  - Scholarship awards
  - Government funding
  - Educational loans

All financial documentation must represent liquid assets which are immediately available to pay for your studies at the UO.

**6.** <u>Course Preference Form.</u> Please use the most recent template. This form functions as a wishlist, not a guarantee. Students should register for courses as early as possible in order to secure places in their preferred courses.

# All documents submitted must be in English or include official English translations.

*If Applicable:* If students plan to study Architecture, Design, Art, or Music Performance, they must provide a portfolio of their work

If Applicable: Admission of graduate exchange students is subject to the approval of the student's department. Graduate students may be asked for additional documents during application screening. If graduate students are not offered admission to their intended host department, they will be asked if they wish to apply to take undergraduate coursework instead.

**Application Processing:** Most applications will be processed in 8-10 weeks, following receipt of a <u>complete</u> application file.

Application Deadlines	Fall Term: March 15
	Winter Term: September 1
	Spring Term: December 1

# Academic Requirements and Eligibility

All students applying to study at the University of Oregon should have a minimum GPA of at least **2.5** on a **4.0** scale.

Students must be able to provide an official academic transcript with at least one semester of grades at the time of application.

**Restricted Programs:** Graduate programs in the School of Law and the College of Business are not open to exchange students. In addition, graduate-level business students are not eligible to take undergraduate coursework in the College of Business.

# **English Language Proficiency Requirements**

All students applying to study at the University of Oregon must satisfy the UO's English language proficiency standards. The UO accepts the following tests: TOEFL, IELTS, DET. Students must submit official test scores that are less than two years old by the start of the student's first term at the UO.

Test	AEI Intensive English	Undergraduate	Graduate
TOEFL iBT	60 or below 60	61	88
TOEFL PBT	499 or below 499	500	575
IELTS	5.5 or below 5.5	6.0	7.0
DET	Below 100	100	Not accepted

#### Course Information

Once exchange and visiting students are offered admission to the University of Oregon, they will receive information about how to register for courses. **The UO cannot guarantee placement into specific classes.** 

**Note:** Students starting in the *Fall* will register over the summer, after continuing UO students. Some classes may fill before exchange student registration opens. Students starting in the *Winter or Spring* will be assigned registration windows during the same time as continuing UO student registration, based on the number of credits they have earned prior to enrolling at the UO.

Before students are able to access the course registration system, they will need to complete several requirements. Students are encouraged to complete these requirements as soon as possible to avoid any delays in course registration. The requirements are:

- 1. Claim their DuckID
- 2. Submit the <u>Insurance Compliance</u> form in the <u>myUOHealth Portal</u>
- 3. Submit proof of <u>required immunizations</u> in the <u>myUOHealth Portal</u>

Each course at the UO is assigned a course level. Courses numbered 100–499 are undergraduate courses; 100–299 are lower division (first- or second-year level), and 300–499 are upper division (third- or fourth-year level). Upper division courses are generally more rigorous and are more likely to have pre-requisites. Courses numbered 500 and above are graduate-level courses.

Exchange and visiting students can take courses both inside and outside their academic major. Popular courses and upper division courses may fill up very quickly, so students are encouraged to be flexible with their course selections and register for classes as soon as they can. Course registration is on a first-come first-served basis.

Students may view the courses most recently offered at the UO <u>here</u>. Please note that the courses offered may change from year to year and from term to term. Students are responsible for determining if they are eligible for the courses they intend to take.

#### **Restrictions:**

- Some courses at the UO have pre-requisite requirements. Pre-requisite requirements will be noted on the course page. Exchange students will need to be able to demonstrate that they have sufficient academic background and preparation to be successful in courses with prerequisites.
- Some courses are restricted to students in a specific major
- Exchange students are not eligible to take graduate-level courses in the School of Law or the College of Business

#### Fees:

 All business courses and some art, architecture, biology, dance, sports and outdoor classes have special fees to pay for lab equipment, special programs, trips, supplies, or studio fees: these costs range between \$20 to \$100 and are not covered by the exchange program's tuition waivers. Students will be responsible for paying these additional course fees • To confirm if courses have restrictions or additional course fees, students should pay close attention to the "Notes" sections of the course page.

In order to remain in compliance with their visa status, undergraduate students must enroll in a minimum of 12 credits per term, and graduate students must enroll in a minimum of 9 credits per term.

#### Health Insurance

All international students enrolled at the University of Oregon are required to hold comprehensive health insurance. International exchange and visiting students will be automatically enrolled in the UO's <u>International Student Plan</u>. Students will be required to pay the cost of the insurance plan, which is approximately **1,150 USD per term (3,450 USD for a full academic year)**.

International students with existing insurance which meets or exceeds the university's standards may request an insurance waiver. To be approved for an insurance waiver, students must provide proof of health coverage which meets the waiver criteria. Waiver criteria may be viewed <a href="here">here</a>.

Please note that the waiver requirements are very strict. If a student's health insurance plan fails to meet each of these requirements, they will be denied an insurance waiver and will remain enrolled in the UO Health Plan.

#### **Immunizations**

In an effort to maintain a healthy campus, the University of Oregon has required vaccines and highly recommended vaccines. These vaccines address vaccine-preventable diseases that are often seen on college campuses. Exchange students are highly encouraged to satisfy UO immunization requirements before arriving on campus. University Health Services can also administer these vaccines to students once students arrive in the US, but this will delay course registration. See <a href="Costs for Vaccine prices">Costs for Vaccine prices</a>. Immunization for measles is required by the State of Oregon.

A hold will be placed on the registration process of students who are not compliant with measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) requirements. For international exchange students, the hold will be placed on registration prior to their first term at the University of Oregon. For more information about required immunizations, please visit this page.

#### Accommodation

Exchange and visiting students may choose to live in on-campus residence halls, university-owned apartments, or in off-campus housing. <u>Placement in the residence halls is not guaranteed</u>—early application is advised to increase the chances of placement. Students are responsible for arranging their own housing. Costs may vary quite significantly depending on where a student chooses to live.

On-campus residence halls: <a href="https://housing.uoregon.edu/halls">https://housing.uoregon.edu/halls</a>
University apartments: <a href="https://apartments.uoregon.edu/">https://apartments.uoregon.edu/</a>
Off-campus housing: <a href="https://offcampushousing.uoregon.edu/">https://offcampushousing.uoregon.edu/</a>

ISSS housing guide for incoming international students: <a href="https://isss.uoregon.edu/arrival-handbook-campus-housing-resources">https://isss.uoregon.edu/arrival-handbook-campus-housing-resources</a>

Students will be able to apply for university housing (both residence halls and apartments) after they are admitted to the UO.

#### Note about residence hall capacity Fall:

Non-freshman students (which would include returning, transfer, exchange, visiting, and American English Institute students) starting at the UO this fall and looking to live on campus during the academic year are invited to register for housing once they are admitted at <a href="http://housing.uoregon.edu/myhousing">http://housing.uoregon.edu/myhousing</a>. Registration begins in mid-December. Placement is not guaranteed and is on a first-come, first-served basis.

We anticipate spaces for non-freshman students will be limited. There will be an interest wait list if capacity is reached. The interest wait list will be used as spaces become available, with priority based on earliest registration date. Those who have not been offered a residence hall assignment by August 15 will be asked if they would like to remain on the list.

# Note about residence hall capacity Winter and Spring:

Availability is not guaranteed—the ability to register for the residence halls for students beginning in winter or spring term will be dependent on there being available spaces after fall registration. Students may not know if they are able to secure a room in the residence halls until after the end of the term prior to their enrollment at the UO (after fall term for winter enrollment, or after winter term for spring enrollment). We advise winter and spring admits to seek off-campus housing.

# Student Visa

Exchange students at the University of Oregon will need to apply for a J-1 student visa to study in the US. Once students are admitted, a DS-2019 is issued by the UO based on the student's admission to the University of Oregon and evidence of financial support. The DS-2019 is required to apply for a J-1 visa and is a required document for entry to the U.S. Students must keep their DS-2019 with their passport. The DS-2019 is sent with the student's official letter of admission.

Students may enter the U.S. up to 30 days before the DS-2019 program start date; not earlier! Students should carry their passport and visa, DS-2019, and letter of admission. Admission to the U.S. should be a smooth experience if everything is prepared in advance.

#### Additional information:

https://isss.uoregon.edu/j-1-students

https://j1visa.state.gov/participants/how-to-apply/interviews-documents/

#### **Financial Information**

Most students who participate in exchange or visiting student programs at the University of Oregon will incur some fees that will be charged to their student billing account in Duckweb. **Some of these fees may be waived for their program, while others will be the student's responsibility.** For

detailed information about the fees associated with the program and which fees students must pay, please review the "Cost Estimate Sheet."

**Most Exchange Students:** Matriculation fee, international student tuition fee, and up to <u>13 credits of tuition</u> is covered per term. Responsible for paying mandatory fees, any additional course fees, insurance fees (Student Health Benefit Plan), and additional tuition if enrolled in more than 13 credits.

**Visiting Students:** Responsible for all fees charged to student billing account.

To avoid unexpected late fees or interest fees, exchange and visiting students should contact the exchange coordinator at <a href="mailto:exchange@uoregon.edu">exchange@uoregon.edu</a> as soon as possible with any questions about the fees on their billing account.

Bill Notifications Sent to	Fall Term: September 17
Students	Winter Term: December 17
	Spring Term: March 17
Payment Deadlines	Fall Term: October 1
	Winter Term: January 1

#### Transcripts

After the end of a student's study abroad program, the UO will email an official transcript to the home university coordinator. Hard copies may be requested if needed. Please ensure the mailing address listed in your nomination is the address where official academic transcripts should be sent and allow 1-2 months for transcript delivery.

#### Campus Life

There are many ways for exchange and visiting students to get involved at the University of Oregon, including joining student groups, attending on-campus events, participating in intramural sports, or visiting the Multicultural Center or Mills International Center.

Campus Life: <a href="https://studentlife.uoregon.edu/campuslife">https://studentlife.uoregon.edu/campuslife</a> Mills International Center: <a href="https://mills.uoregon.edu/">https://mills.uoregon.edu/</a>

Friendship Foundation for International Students: https://ffisoregon.org/

# Social Media

University of Oregon

http://uoregon.edu/

https://www.facebook.com/universityoforegon/ https://www.instagram.com/uoregon/?hl=en

**UO International Student and Scholar Services** 

https://isss.uoregon.edu/

https://www.facebook.com/UOISSS/

https://www.instagram.com/uo isss/?hl=en

#### **Cost Estimate Sheet**

The following financial information is an <u>estimate</u>. Tuition and fees for the 2024-25 academic year are not yet finalized. Living expenses may be higher or lower, depending on students' lifestyles.

Exchange Student Program			
Length of Program	1 Term	2 Terms	3 Terms
Tuition (up to 13 credits)*	Covered in full	Covered in full	Covered in full
Tuition (cost per each additional credit)	\$302	\$302	\$302
Mandatory Fees (Building Fee, Health Service Fee,	\$925	\$1,850	\$2,775
Recreation Center Fee, Student Union Fee,			
Technology Fee, and Incidental Fee)**			
International Student Fee	Covered in full	Covered in full	Covered in full
Matriculation Fee	Covered in full	Covered in full	Covered in full
Room and Board ***	\$5,280	\$10,560	\$15,840
Insurance (Student Health Benefits Plan)	\$1,150	\$2,300	\$3,450
Course Materials, Transportation, and Personal	\$1,667	\$3,333	\$5,000
Expenses			
Total Estimated Cost of Attendance, up to 13	\$9,022	\$18,043	\$27,065
credits per term			

Visiting Student Program				
Length of Program	1 Term	2 Terms	3 Terms	
Tuition (15 credits)*	\$13,500	\$27,000	\$40,500	
Tuition (cost per each additional credit)	\$900	\$900	\$900	
Mandatory Fees (Building Fee, Health Service Fee,	\$925	\$1,850	\$2,775	
Recreation Center Fee, Student Union Fee,				
Technology Fee, and Incidental Fee)**				
International Student Fee	\$200	\$400	\$600	
Matriculation Fee	\$500	\$500	\$500	
Room and Board ***	\$5,280	\$10,560	\$15,840	
Insurance (Student Health Benefits Plan)	\$1,150	\$2,300	\$3,450	
Course Materials, Transportation, and Personal	\$1,667	\$3,333	\$5,000	
Expenses				
Total Estimated Cost of Attendance, 15 credits per	\$23,222	\$45,943	\$68,665	
term				

#### Notes

- \* All business courses and some art, architecture, biology, dance, sports, and physical education classes have course fees to pay for lab equipment, special programs, trips, supplies, or studio fees. These costs typically range between \$20 to \$100 and are not covered by exchange tuition waivers
- \*\* Mandatory fees are assessed to all students and cover student government and organizations, recreation center access, health center access, student union access, and campus maintenance
- \*\*\* Based on <u>estimated living expenses for international students</u>. Actual costs will vary depending on your housing selection.
- \*\*\*\* Some partners have unique billing agreements/cost structures for exchange and visiting student programs. If this applies to you, we will follow up with information specific to your institution