



Exchange Program Details for Rhodes College		Academic Year 24-25
Name of Institution	Rhodes College	
Exchange Contact	Dr. Elin Ovrebo, DSO Director of Study Abroad & Away and Exchange Coordinator Buckman Center for International Education at Rhodes College ovreboe@rhodes.edu +001 (901) 843-3403	
Institution Address	2000 North Parkway Memphis, TN 38112 USA	
Websites	www.rhodes.edu Incoming Exchange Student Website Rhodes Internationals Instagram Pictures of our campus	
The Exchange Program		
Eligibility	GPA requirement: 3.0 out of a 4.0 scale Good academic and social standing Required English Proficiency: TOEFL: 95 or higher IBT or IELTS: 7.0 or higher	
Deadlines	March 15 for Fall Term (August - December) and Academic Year (August - May). Students who apply early (March 1) may be granted registration privileges and may be able to sign up for classes alongside of our own Juniors (rather than wait to sign up after all other students have had a chance to do so).	
How to Apply	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Home Institution Exchange Coordinator will supply a nomination email containing: Student name, student email, student major field of study, the term of exchange, and a statement concerning the student’s seriousness of academic purpose and personal maturity. This statement may come from an international programs advisor or from a faculty member. One paragraph is sufficient!2. The exchange student will complete the Exchange Application. Please instruct the students to create a profile and log in or they will not be able to save their progress. The application will require the students to upload a transcript.	
Immigration and Visa Information	After exchange students are accepted to study at Rhodes, they will receive an admission letter and an immigration document “Form I-20” from the Rhodes Exchange Advisor, Aliza Moran. Immediately after receiving these items, students should make an appointment with the nearest United States Consulate to apply for an F-1 Student Visa to enter the United States . Information about this visa application process may be found on the US International Student site .	
Arrival and Orientation	Exchange students are expected to arrive on the exact date requested by Rhodes in the acceptance letter. Rhodes staff will meet all exchange students at the airport for transportation to Rhodes on the specified date. Students arriving after our requested arrival dates place significant strain on our office and will be charged a \$500 late fee unless the delay is due to a flight delay. Students may arrive early, especially if they plan on bringing a relative or a friend as there will be very little time to hang out with	

	<p>anybody once orientation starts. However, students arriving early cannot check into campus until the official arrival date and will have to pay for the cost of hotel, transport, and other expenses prior to the arrival date on their own. If the hotel an early arrival is staying at is within 30 minutes of Rhodes College, we will offer to pick you up at the hotel on the official check in date and bring you to campus.</p> <p>International Student Orientation begins the day after arrival and lasts 2 days. Orientation is planned with jet lag and transition stress in mind; it is a relaxed and a fun period to learn about Rhodes, finalize course registration, meet other new international students, become acquainted with the International Student Services staff, and explore various attractions and restaurants in the city of Memphis itself.</p>
Academic Information	
Academic Calendar for Exchange Students Fall Term (Aug-Dec 2024)	<p>Aug 11: Mandatory Arrival for Exchange Students</p> <p>Aug 12-13: Mandatory International Student Orientation</p> <p>Aug 14-19: International students join Welcome Week for all new students</p> <p>Aug 20: Classes Begin</p> <p>Dec 5: Classes End</p> <p>Dec 8-13: Final Examinations Period</p> <p>Dec 14: Last day of Exchange Student Housing, 10:00am</p> <p><i>Academic Year Exchange Students, with pre-approval, may remain on campus over the semester break. However, there is an extra fee involved and students may need to switch dorms to do so.</i></p>
Academic Calendar for Exchange Students Spring Term (Jan-May 2025)	<p>Jan 12: Student who left campus may move back in</p> <p>Jan 14: Classes Begin</p> <p>May 1: Classes End</p> <p>May 4-9: Final Examination Period</p> <p>May 10: Last day of Exchange Student Housing, 10:00am</p>
Course Load	16 credit hours (usually four 4-credit courses) across several departments
Min. Course Load	12 credit hours
Max. Course Load	20 credit hours (not recommended)
Course Restrictions	<p>Exchange students will take courses in at least two departments/faculties (there is no scenario when a student may take all courses from the same department/faculty). Students must have some flexibility in course requirements.</p> <p>Students have access to most departments and courses, however, exchange students should know that certain departments, like those below, and some upper-level courses are extremely difficult to get more than two classes in, due to space limitations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commerce/Business • Economics • Psychology • Computer Science • Biology/Chemistry • Neuroscience <p>Some courses in studio art, sciences with labs, and music practice lessons will carry additional fees borne by the exchange student.</p>
Tips for Finding Courses	Students should carefully review our class schedule with their home institution academic advisor to see which courses will be available and may suit degree requirements at the home institution.

	<p>Exchange students will review courses from the online class schedule prior to application. Course selections are not guaranteed, though effort is made to accommodate specific course requests. Students will meet with an Academic Advisor online, prior to registering for classes. Exchange Students must provide a minimum of 6 (six) courses of interest on their application. Here are some examples of available courses for incoming exchange students: Fall 2023 Course Offerings & Spring 2024 Course Offerings</p> <p>24/25 courses will be sent to nominees in their first email and 2025/2026 course offerings will be updated once they are available.</p>
Academic Transcripts	<p>Students will request an academic transcript to be mailed to their home institution following the completion of the work at Rhodes. Payment for all fees must be made prior to Rhodes releasing the academic transcript to the home institution.</p>
Living and Money Matters	
Housing and Meals	<p>Exchange Students live in our on-campus Residence Halls in shared bedrooms. Shared bedrooms typically contain two students and may share bathrooms with multiple other bedrooms on the hall. Residence Life website.</p> <p>Meal plans are part of the housing bill charges. There are two dining halls on campus. Dining at Rhodes website.</p> <p>This site lists the fees for Room and Board for an academic year at Rhodes. (Semester students may just divide this number in half).</p>
Cost of Living:	<p>In addition to housing, meals, and insurance, exchange students should be prepared to spend up to \$2000 per semester on text books, cell phone, dining out, miscellaneous shopping, etc. This figure is an approximate and students should consider their usual spending habits to best prepare themselves.</p>
International Student Health Insurance Policy	<p>Rhodes requires health insurance throughout the enrollment period and has a standardized, comprehensive policy for international students. Rhodes will enroll exchange students each semester in the health insurance policy and will charge their Rhodes student account. This insurance generally costs approximately \$795/semester. There is no exception to this policy.</p>

