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Exchange Program Details for Rhodes College

Academic Year 20-21

Name of Institution	Rhodes College
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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	April 1 for Fall Term (August - December) and Academic Year (August - May). The Spring term is available for full-year students, only.
How to Apply	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. 2. The exchange student will complete the Exchange Application
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 Coordinator. 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 outside our requested arrival dates place significant strain on our office. Students arriving earlier will bear the cost of hotel and transportation to Rhodes on their own. *Please note: public transportation is unreliable and difficult to navigate in Memphis; it is not recommended. International Student Orientation begins the day after arrival and lasts 3 days in the fall semester. Orientation is planned with jet lag and transition stress in mind; it is a

	relaxed and 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.
Academic Information	
Academic Calendar for Exchange Students Fall Term (Aug-Dec 2020)	<p>Aug 17: Mandatory Arrival for Exchange Students</p> <p>Aug 17-19: Mandatory International Student Orientation</p> <p>Aug 21-25: International students join Welcome Week for all new students</p> <p>Aug 26: Classes Begin</p> <p>Dec 9: Classes End</p> <p>Dec 11-16: Final Examinations Period</p> <p>Dec 17: Last day of Exchange Student Housing, 10:00am <i>(Academic Year Exchange Students, with pre-approval, may remain on campus over the semester break)</i></p>
Academic Calendar for Exchange Students Spring Term (Jan-May 2021)	<p>Jan 13: Classes Begin</p> <p>Apr 30: Classes End</p> <p>May 3-8: Final Examination Period</p> <p>May 9: 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 multiple departments/faculties (there is no scenario when a student may take all courses from the same department/faculty). Students must have 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 enter, due to space limitations.</p> <p>Exchange students may attempt to register for one course from the following, with the understanding that they may be denied due to space limitations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commerce/Business • Economics • Biology/Chemistry <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	<p>Students should carefully review our online class schedule with their home institution academic advisor to see which courses will be available and may suit degree requirements at the home institution. Students who cannot find courses that will advance their home degree may need to consider a different host institution that is a better academic fit.</p> <p>These directions tell students how to view the actual courses that we are planning to offer next semester:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to our course website • For “Search By Term,” select the term of exchange and click “Submit” • Select the “Subject” you need, and click “Class Search”

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The list that appears is the entire list of courses within that Subject that will be offered next semester • When no courses appear, it means the courses have not been loaded yet and the student should try again at a later date.
Academic Transcripts	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.
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 or three 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:	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.
International Student Health Insurance Policy	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 \$700/semester. There is no exception to this policy.

