



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

INFORMATION SHEET FOR INCOMING EXCHANGES

Name of university	University of Minnesota
Contact person for incoming exchange students	Deanne Silvera Exchange Program Director silve025@umn.edu Sarah Krueger International Student Program Coordinator krue0187@umn.edu International Student and Scholar Services University of Minnesota, Twin Cities 190 Humphrey School, 301 19th Ave. S. Minneapolis, MN 55455 612-626-7100
University website	www.umn.edu
General information about the university	Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota, U.S.A. 47,000 students (total)
University features	The University offers more than 130 undergraduate and 200 graduate programs. 39 graduate and 15 undergraduate programs are ranked among the top programs in the U.S.
Short description of the city	Minnesota is known for its friendly people and is ranked as one of the best and safest places to live in the U.S. The Twin Cities is a thriving urban community of 3 million people and the home of 18 Fortune 500 companies.
Exchange program website	http://www.issu.umn.edu/exchange/
Areas of study open for exchange students	See attached "Academic Overview"
Areas of study NOT available on exchange	See attached "Academic Overview"
Course catalog	UG: http://www.catalogs.umn.edu/ug/index.html
Academic calendar	2019-2020: 3 September 2019 To 13 May 2020
Orientation schedule for incoming students	Fall: 8/23/2019 (tentative) Spring: 1/15/2020 (tentative)
Application deadline for admission	Fall semester: April 1 Spring semester: October 1
Application materials	Coordinator will email one pdf per student to Deanne Silvera: Application Form, Housing Request, Nomination letter, Personal Essay/Course Interest List, Official Transcript, Proof of English Proficiency, Passport copy, Documentation of Funding

Summer courses	Not included in exchange benefits; student must take full courseload in summer to extend visa document beyond regular academic year
Language requirements	TOEFL: 79 iBT, Writing sub-score 21; IELTS: 6.5, with writing sub-score 6.5; MELAB: 80; Cambridge Advanced 180, PTE 59 Students with TOEFL scores 68-78 or writing sub-scores below 21 may be nominated for admission only to the College of Liberal Arts, and will be required to either take an English placement test on arrival or register for an ESL academic writing course before further course registration is allowed. There is no additional cost for ESL courses, and they earn credit toward full-time course load minimums. TOEFL ITP (institutional test) not accepted.
Other requirements	Admission to Carlson School of Management and College of Biological Sciences requires successful completion of foundation coursework; see Academic Overview for details
Preparatory course for incoming students	Global Gopher Academy, an optional two-week program held in mid-August, includes academic preparation and local activities: http://www.iss.umn.edu/programs/iSuccess/
Housing assistance	Separate online application for exchange students. Applicants should not complete general online application.
Housing application deadline	Upon academic admission, link to special online application is emailed
Living costs	Room/Board: minimum \$1,670 per month (2018-19 rate), or US\$7,500 per semester or US\$15,000 per academic year Transportation: transit pass is \$120 per semester
Meal plan	Exchange students may request campus housing upon application. Choices include apartment-style rooms where a meal plan is optional, or residence hall rooms where a meal plan is required..
Insurance packages exchange students are required to purchase	Student Health Benefit Plan: \$1150 per semester (estimated) All students are required to purchase this policy. No substitute plans can be accepted.
Vaccination requirements	http://www.bhs.umn.edu/immunization-requirements.htm#international-student
Health facilities on campus	Boynton Health Services Fairview University Hospital
Visa requirement	J-1, unless student has other requirements