

Exchange Partner Fact Sheet

2023-24

About the University of Minnesota

The University of Minnesota is a R1 Doctoral University in the U.S. — indicating the highest level of research activity. Ranked #9 among U.S. public research institutions according to the Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities, we are #10 in research among all U.S. public universities, with more than \$1 billion in spending. The UMN has also been honored as one of the top institutions in the world for technology transfer. Distinguished alumni and faculty include 26 Nobel Laureates (including Peace Prize), two U.S. vice presidents, Pulitzer Prize awardees, Rhodes Scholars, and former Prime Ministers of Iceland, Tunisia, and the U.K.

Facts and Figures

Undergraduates: 31,734
Graduate and Professional Students: 15,947
International students: 5,100 from 130+ countries
Student groups: 750+
Libraries: 14 containing 6.9 million volumes

About the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul

The University of Minnesota is located in the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota (pop. 3.3 million residents). The Twin Cities are home to 16 Fortune 500 companies. There is world-class shopping at the Mall of America and a vibrant arts community, with top-ranked museums, theaters, and the nation's first-ever sculpture garden. Our central location also provides for easy access to other great U.S. cities, such as Chicago, New York, and Los Angeles. Getting to and from campus and the Minneapolis-St. Paul International airport is an easy 30-minute ride on the light rail train.

Program Details

2023-24 Dates & Deadlines

Fall and Academic Year

Nominations due: March 15

Application deadline: April 15

Arrival date: August 28

Semester begins: September 5

Spring 2024

Nominations due: September 15

Application deadline: October 15

Arrival date: TBD

Semester begins: January 16, 2024

Application

Students should complete our [online application](#).

ESL Requirements

	TOEFL	IELTS
Undergraduate Semester*	68	6.0

*Students with scores below 79 or 6.5 are required to take English courses. They are not eligible to enroll in Carlson School of Management courses.

German students may provide a DAAD score of B2 or C1. Students will also be required to test upon arrival and may be required to take additional ESL classes.

Credits & Grading

A typical class is equal to 3 or 4 credits, and most students register for 3 to 5 classes.

Undergraduate students must enroll in at least 12 credits to be considered full-time, a requirement for their student visa. We strongly recommend students do not register for more than 16 credits. The University has two distinct grading scales: A-F and S-N (pass/fail). More information can be found at the [UMN Policy Library](#).

Housing

Students are guaranteed University-owned housing if they request housing on their application and apply for their specific choices by the deadline. Students can choose from the University housing options listed below or find their own housing off campus.

- **[Radius](#):** New, fully furnished apartment-style accommodation with many amenities. Located within a 10-minute walk from campus in the Dinkytown neighborhood. No meal plan is required.
- **[Yudof](#):** Fully furnished apartment-style accommodation located on campus. All units have a kitchen or kitchenette. No meal plan is required.
- **[Centennial](#):** Traditional dormitory-style accommodation located on campus. Students can live in a single or shared room, and share a common bathroom with other units. A [meal plan](#) is required, as there are no kitchens.

Informational Guide

Admitted students will be emailed a link to the Admitted Student Guide, where they can find information about applying for a student visa, a helpful checklist of important things to do before and after arrival, and useful information for making the most of their University of Minnesota experience.

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Academic Offerings

Carlson School of Management

Departments Available: Accounting; Business Law; Finance; Human Resources and Industrial Relations; Information and Decision Sciences; Insurance and Risk Management; International Business; Management; Marketing; Public and Nonprofit Management; Supply Chain and Operations Management

Please note: Courses may be limited because of high demand from both degree and non-degree students. The following courses are not available: MGMT 1001, BA 3000, IBUS courses, or BA 4501-4505 Enterprise courses.

College of Continuing and Professional Studies

Departments Available: Construction Management; English as a Second Language; Health Services Management; Manufacturing Operations Management

College of Design

Departments Available: Architecture; Fashion Studies; Interdisciplinary Design; Interior Environments; Landscape Design and Planning; Retail Merchandising

College of Education and Human Development

Departments Available: Business and Marketing Education; Early Childhood Education; Elementary Education; Family Social Science; Human Resource Development; Kinesiology; Physical Education; Recreation Administration; Special Education; Youth Studies

College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences

Departments Available: Agricultural Education; Agricultural Communication and Marketing; Agricultural and Food Business Management; Agronomy and Plant Genetics; Animal Science; Applied Economics; Entomology; Environmental Sciences, Policy, and Management; Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology; Food Science and Nutrition; Food Systems; Forest and Natural Resource Management; Horticulture; Plant Pathology; Sustainable Systems Management

College of Liberal Arts

Departments Available: African American and African Studies; American Indian Studies; American Studies; Anthropology; Art; Art History; Asian American Studies; Asian Languages and Literatures; Biology, Society, and Environment; Chicano Studies; Cinema Media Culture, Studies in; Classical and Near Eastern Studies; Communication Studies; Cultural Studies and Comparative Literature; English Literature; Foreign Languages; Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies; Geography; Global Studies; History; Jewish Studies; Journalism; Law; Linguistics; Music; Philosophy; Physiology; Political Science; Psychology; Public Health; Religious Studies; Scandinavian Studies; Sociology; Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences; Statistics; Technical Writing and Communication; Theatre Arts; Urban Studies

Please note: Economics (ECON) courses are very popular with degree students and are often full. Classes with the course designator "ECON" focus on theoretical and empirical reasoning. Many students who are studying economics at their home university are able to enroll in business courses, such as management (MGMT), finance (FIN), marketing (MKTG), or supply chain management (SCO). Students can also explore Applied Economics (APEC) courses, which focus on how economics is applied in the real world to improve people's lives.

College of Science and Engineering

Departments Available: Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics; Astronomy; Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering; Chemistry; Civil, Environmental, and Geo-Engineering; Computer Science; Earth Sciences; Electrical and Computer Engineering; History of Science and Technology; Industrial and Systems Engineering; Materials Science; Mathematics; Mechanical Engineering; Physics