



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXCHANGE PARTNER FACT SHEET 2025-26

Why Minnesota?



REPUTATION

World-class academics, ranking 10th among U.S. public research universities in the Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities



LOCATION

Located in a major U.S. city, which provides outstanding access to transportation, athletic events, restaurants, theater, and more



CONNECTION

Students are fully integrated into University classes and activities. ISSS staff are committed to providing students with the support they need, when they need it.

Program Details

2025-26 DATES & DEADLINES

Fall and Academic Year

Nominations due: March 1
Application deadline: April 1
Arrival date: August 24
Semester begins: September 2

Spring 2026

Nominations due: September 1
Application deadline: October 1
Arrival date: January 11
Semester begins: January 20, 2026

ESL REQUIREMENTS

68 TOEFL, 6.0 IELTS, or 110 Duolingo

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.

APPLICATION

Students should complete the online application: iss.umn.edu/students/exchange/apply

CREDITS AND 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: policy.umn.edu/education/gradingtranscripts

For more information:

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Facts & Statistics

56,000 students

26 NOBEL LAUREATES

More than 5,400 international students from over **140** countries

10 GALLERIES & MUSEUMS
including the Weisman Art Museum and the Bell Museum

900+ student groups

14 LIBRARIES
containing 6.9 million volumes

2 different university housing options
NEAR CAMPUS
PLUS off campus options

9 Recreation and Wellness facilities
including fitness centers, an aquatics center, fieldhouse, golf course, and more

3.7 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE METRO AREA



Academics

Carlson School of Management

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

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

College of Science and Engineering

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

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.

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.

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.