

EXCHANGE STUDENT FACT SHEET



A.B. Freeman School of Business

Tulane University



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III. Student Appli	ication Procedure
Eligibility Criteria	 Students must: Have successfully completed at least one year full-time study at the home institution; Be in good to excellent academic standing at the home institution; Meet all admission or specific requirements of their home institution; Be proficient in English (TOEFL minimum of 90; IELTS minimum of 6.5) Native speakers do not need to submit test scores. Students whose degree program are entirely taught in English can submit a letter from the home university. At home administrations of these tests (TOEFL, IELTS, or the Duolingo English Test will be accepted for the 2021 application cycle.

 Exchange Coordinator at your University sends student nomination via e-mail (including name as written exactly on students' passport, date of birth, email address, gender, study period at Tulane and level of study) to: Ms. Mary Hicks, Contact for East Asia and Europe (except Spain) mhicks4@tulane.edu Mr. Tyler Young, Contact for SE Asia, Australia, Latin America, and Spain tyoung11@tulane.edu
 Spring Semester (January – May): September 20 Fall Semester (August – December): February 20
Nominated students will receive an email with instructions to submit application forms online. All required application forms & documents must be received by the deadlines.
 Spring Semester (January – May): Phase I of the application is due October 5 Fall Semester (August – December): Phase I of the application is due March 5
Phase I: Application form Copy of passport University transcripts in English Proof of English proficiency (e.g., TOEFL or IELTS Score Report) Proof of financial Support Phase II:

Academic Calendars	http://registrar.tulane.edu/academic-calendar		
Fall Semester 2021 ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE		Undergraduate	Graduate (MBA)
	Recommended Arrival	Monday, August 16	Monday, August 9
	Orientation (attendance required)	Tuesday, August 17	Thursday, August 12
	Classes Begin	Monday, August 23	Monday, August 16
	Labor Day Holiday	Monday, September 6	Monday, September 6
	Fall Break	Thu Oct. 7 to Sun, Oct. 10	Fri, Oct 1 to Oct. 10
	Thanksgiving Break	Wed Nov. 24 - Nov. 28	Wed Nov. 24 - Nov. 28
	Last Day of Classes	Friday, December 3	Friday, December 3
	Exam Period	Mon, Dec. 6 – Dec. 14	Mon, Dec. 6 – Dec. 14

Spring Semester 2022 ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE	Recommended Arrival Orientation (attendance required) MLK Holiday Classes Begin Mardi Gras Break Spring Break Easter Break Last Day of Classes Exam Period	Undergraduate & Graduate (MBA) Tuesday, January 11 Wednesday, January 12 Monday, January 17 Tuesday, January 18 Monday, February 28 – Tuesday, March 1 Sunday, March 27 – Sunday, April 3 Friday, April 15 – Monday, April 18 Wednesday, May 4 Saturday, May 7 – Monday, May 15	
V. Learning Expe	ectations		
Class Format	Most courses are characterized by traditional U.Sstyle teaching with lectures, discussions, group work (in and out of class) and written course assignments. Many of the courses require regular homework assignments and substantial preparatory reading.		
Attendance & Participation	Class attendance & participation is mandatory for all Tulane students, including exchange students, and is part of a student's final grade in all courses. Excessive absences may result in failing the course (receiving a grade of "F") and may jeopardize an exchange student's visa status.		
Academic Integrity & Student Conduct	Tulane students, including exchange students, are required to read and abide by the Codes of Academic and Student Conduct, which contain the standards of behavior for all students, describe the judicial process, and outline potential sanctions associated with Code violations. Violation of either Code by exchange students may jeopardize their visa status.		
Grading & Transcripts	Grading is based on the traditional American system. Grades given are from A to F, with A being the highest grade. Transcripts are sent to home institutions in February for students enrolled in the Fall semester and June for Spring semester students.		
Course Selection & Registration	The Tulane schedule of classes can be found online at https://classschedule.tulane.edu . Undergraduate business school course descriptions can be found at https://bit.ly/2utvap9 . Graduate business school course descriptions can be found online at https://freeman.tulane.edu/node/3191 . Please note that the classes listed are not necessary offered every semester. Refer to the Tulane schedule of classes for an updated list of course offerings.		

Students must complete the Course Preference Form included with their program application in a timely manner. Exchange students are not able to register themselves in courses. As such, our office will register students in their requested classes once registration opens. It is important that students ensure that they meet all prerequisites for the courses they wish to enroll in. Every effort is made to accommodate students' preferences Course Selection & but students must be flexible and should have some extra pre-approved courses to Registration (cont.) replace those in which we are unable to register you. Exchange students must be registered for at least 12 credit hours (undergraduate) or 9 credit hours (graduate) to remain in compliance with their J-1 or F-1 visa status. Undergraduate students should select at least 12 credits from the A. B. Freeman School of Business (ACCN, ENRG, FINE, LGST, MCOM, MGMT, MGSC, MKTG, TAXN). Classes in other departments (e.g., ECON, POLC, SOPA) require the approval of the department and/or instructor and are not guaranteed. It is not possible to take courses in PECN. Graduate students should select at least 9 credits from the A. B. Freeman School of Business (ACCN, ENRG, FINE, LGST, MCOM, MGMT, MGSC, MKTG, TAXN). Classes require the approval of the Director of Graduate Education. Classes in non-Freeman departments require the approval of the department and/or instructor and are not guaranteed. Students must confirm their registration at the beginning of each semester. Students are able to request changes to their course selection and must notify our office prior to the end of the drop/add period. If you need the syllabus for a course, please contact Study Abroad & Exchange at Syllabi freemanabroad@tulane.edu Most are written examinations. A final paper may be required in addition to (or in **Examinations** place of) a final exam. VI. Important Information **Exchange Students must attend two mandatory orientations:** J1 International Student Orientation: This orientation session is conducted by the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS) and is mandatory for any student with a J1 visa. It includes general information about Tulane University and will cover all the rules and responsibilities concerning your student visa to the United States. Orientation Business School Exchange Student Orientation: This orientation session is mandatory for all Exchange Students at the Business School. Topics discussed will include academics, course registration, course changes, business school resources, business school student organizations, business technology, etc.

Exchange students are responsible for arranging their own accommodations. It is an independent process. You may arrange housing after you arrive, however, some students prefer to arrange housing in advance. Note that if you choose not to arrange housing in advance other exchange students may already have roommates.

On-Campus Housing

On-campus residence hall space is limited. Exchange students are not guaranteed accommodations on-campus.

On-campus housing information can be found on Tulane University's Housing and Residence Life website at http://housing.tulane.edu/. Important: If you submit a Tulane Housing Application form, you are signing a binding contract declaring that you will live in Tulane's residence halls and pay for the room even if you decide not to accept your housing assignment. If you later decide not to live in Tulane housing, you are not able to decline this application/contract and you will still be responsible for paying the full cost of housing for the semester plus a non-refundable application fee. There is no way to cancel your application form. Please do NOT complete a Housing Application form unless you are absolutely sure you wish to live in a dorm or apartment on campus.

On-campus housing often reaches 100 percent capacity, in which case exchange students cannot be accommodated on campus.

Off-Campus Housing

Many exchange students live in off-campus apartments located in the neighborhoods around the university. Costs vary but can be less expensive than living on-campus. It normally takes at least 4 to 5 days to finalize setting up an apartment/house if you do not have housing when you arrive. Be sure to make a reservation at a hotel, hostel or Airbnb for the first few days you are in the city.

The Freeman international programs office can connect you with landlords who regularly rent to exchange students. At your request, we can also introduce you to other exchange students looking for housemates.

In addition to the resources provided by our office, many exchange students have found apartments through Tulane Classifieds Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/groups/Tulane.Classifieds/), Tulane Off-Campus Residents Association Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/groups/227725533953554), Craiglist, NOLA.com, the Gambit and local real estate companies.

For additional off-campus housing resources, please visit the Housing and Residential Life's off-campus housing website at http://www2.tulane.edu/studentaffairs/offcampus/resources/index.cfm.

Note: Study Abroad & Exchange does not endorse any of the housing listed on the above links. The quality and condition of the apartments listed have not been verified by the international programs office. Individuals interested in the properties are responsible for checking the condition of the listed apartments and we recommend that students have any lease checked for free by the Tulane Legal Assistance Program before signing. Please check any housing listed in person before signing a lease or making a deposit.

Accommodation

Program fees	The requirement to pay tuition and fees is waived with the exception of the health center fee at Tulane and supplemental course fees used to support additional costs of instruction, supplies or materials. The participating students under the terms of the exchange agreement continue to pay tuition and fees to the home institution. The home institution has the discretion to impose certain non-academic fees on its students, in order to facilitate the student exchange program. The costs of food, accommodation, travel, books, transportation, passports, visas, insurance, and personal expenses shall be borne by the participating students.	
Approximate cost of living	The 2021-2022 estimates for living expenses reflects a student budget of \$2,499 per month for room (rent, utilities), food, miscellaneous expenses, books and supplies, and all transportation. Book expenses are estimated to be an additional \$750 per semester. Health expenses representing health insurance and ordinary medical expenses (such as prescriptions), are not included in the estimated living expense budget of \$2,499 per month.	
Campus Health Fee, Student Health Center, & Counseling Services	All Tulane students, including exchange students, are required to pay the Campus Health Fee (\$333 per semester). Please note that the Campus Health Fee is not insurance nor does it provide health insurance. Tulane University's mandatory Campus Health Fee supports the operations of Campus Health, which offers Tulane students comprehensive medical, mental health, and health promotion services through the Health Center for Student Care, CAPS for Counseling Services, and The Well for Health Promotion. All students who have paid the University's Campus Health Fee have access to Campus Health services or programs.	
	The Student Health Center provides comprehensive medical care through their Primary Care Clinics, including evaluation and treatment of acute and chronic medical illnesses. The Preventive Health Clinic includes women's and men's health, nutrition, allergy shots and immunizations. They provide accessible, high quality medical care for students during their time at Tulane University. Students may schedule an appointment online through the Patient Portal and same-day appointments are typically available for an acute illness.	
	Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) is committed to providing a safe, inclusive and affirming community of care for all students. The interdisciplinary team fosters personal, emotional and academic well-being by offering comprehensive therapeutic services, outreach and prevention programs, and consultative relationships throughout Tulane. Appointments may be made in advance but walk-in consultations are also available if the situation is urgent.	
Health Insurance	All J-1 visa-holding international students at Tulane University (and their dependents) are required to have health insurance and will be automatically charged for and covered by a university-sponsored student health insurance plan. Costs and information regarding the insurance will be included in the orientation information available to students shortly before the start of each semester.	

Immunizations	Various immunizations and tests are REQUIRED for all students attending Tulane University. The list can be found online at http://campushealth.tulane.edu/patient-portal/immunization-compliance . Instructions on submitting the proof of immunization form are included in the application process. The immunization form must be submitted by the deadline so that students may register in classes.
Visa Information	Students must submit the completed application including, a copy of the first page of their passport, proof of English language proficiency and proof of sufficient financial resources. Proof of sufficient financial resources can be shown by obtaining a letter from the student's bank, or from the bank of a sponsor/parent who is sponsoring their stay. If the letter is from a sponsor's/parent's bank, an affidavit of support from the parent must also be included (or the bank must specifically mention the student's name in their letter).
	The required amount of financial proof is \$10,000 per semester for exchange students (subject to change). Please verify the exact amount in the application materials. The exact amount of financial support must be included in all letters (from parents/bank) and bank statements. Please do not submit proof of funding that does not specifically mention the funding amount .The amount must cover costs of living, books, school supplies, fees and health insurance.
	Dual degree students should check with Study Abroad & Exchange for the required amount of funding. We will send the visa form (DS-2019) to student. Students must take the form with them to the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate for their visa appointment. Due to time restraints, we must receive documents in a timely manner.
Student Organizations and Buddy Program	As a visiting student directly enrolled in the Business School students can join business student organizations at the undergraduate (https://freeman.tulane.edu/undergraduate-student-organizations) or graduate level (https://freeman.tulane.edu/graduate-student-organizations).
	Exchange students can also participate in the B-School Buddies program. This program matches current Tulane business students with exchange students. Tulane buddies can help exchange students navigate their new environment and provide insight into the student experience at Tulane and in New Orleans.
	Additionally, students can participate in activities offered for all Tulane students. With more than 200 <u>student organizations</u> , and a wide variety of <u>collegiate</u> and <u>intramural</u> athletics teams to take part in, students here have many ways to get involved on campus. For more information visit <u>Campus Life</u> .
	The TUPals program connects visiting students to current Tulane students (international or U.S.). The primary mission of TUPals is to ease the transition of new international students to Tulane so that they may succeed personally, socially, and academically. Additionally, the program encourages the Tulane community to develop a global mind-set. For more information on the TUPals program, visit https://global.tulane.edu/tupals-program .

VII. Service Learning and Employment		
Service Learning	Business Service Learning is an educational experience that provides students with the opportunity to apply what they are learning in class to real-world settings. Through reflection and assessment, students gain deeper understanding of course content and the importance of civic engagement. Service learning gives students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience, increase their understanding of class topics, and learn more about the diverse cultures and communities of New Orleans. Business Service Learning is an optional component of some Freeman business courses. More information about service learning opportunities can be found online at https://cps.tulane.edu/academics/service-learning-course .	
On-campus Employment	Exchange students on a J-1 visa are permitted to work on campus with prior authorization in SEVIS while enrolled in a full course of study. During the regular semester, students cannot work more than 20 hours per week; they must also be enrolled in classes full-time. During breaks, students can work full-time (more than 20 hours per week). Resources at Tulane for finding on-campus employment:	
	 <u>Tulane Student Employment</u> Resources at Tulane for finding internships / academic training opportunities: <u>Tulane Handshake</u> <u>Tulane Career Services Job Postings</u> <u>Tulane Career Services</u> <u>FreemanLink</u> (dual degree students only) 	
Internships	Exchange students on a J-1 student visa are allowed to pursue paid and unpaid internships ("academic training") while studying in the U.S. J-1 students are eligible for one month of academic training for every month of study in the U.S. Academic training must be related to the student's field of study (business). J-1 students may participate in academic training during or after their exchange term. During the regular semester, students cannot work more than 20 hours per week; they must also be enrolled in classes full-time. After the semester (during breaks or summer), students must work a minimum of 20 hours per week.	