Ontario/Jiangsu
Student Exchange Program

2021–2022
Application Information for
Jiangsu Students

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Prepared by the Ontario Program Office
Introduction:
The provinces of Ontario, Canada and Jiangsu, Peoples Republic of China are sister provinces that have concluded several educational and cultural agreements. One of these agreements established the Ontario/Jiangsu Student Exchange Program, a provincial student mobility program that started in September 2009.

On the Ontario side the Program Office is administered by

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The program has thirteen participating universities in Jiangsu and ten participating universities in Ontario. The program requires that the number of students moving in both directions must balance over the course of the agreement. However, minor variations in numbers can occur in any given year.

General Requirements:

Exchange students must have completed 2 years of a recognized degree at their home university. While most fields of study in Ontario (subject to restrictions from receiving institutions) will be open for exchange, it must be noted that Ontario medical schools will be exempt from the exchange and it is expected that placements in the province’s professional law, business, dentistry, and pharmacology schools will be limited, if at all available. Graduate student exchanges may be limited by individual Ontario universities.

Exchange participants will normally study for up to one academic year as non-degree students. Participating students will pay tuition at their home university and will be exempt from paying tuition at the host university. However, host universities may charge certain incidental administrative fees. Jiangsu students will be responsible for their expenses abroad, including travel, room and board, health and accident insurance, miscellaneous incidental expenses that may be required by the host university, and other living expenses. Jiangsu students will be responsible for fees related to the University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP), mandatory for all international students at all Ontario universities with the exception of some institutions, who have their own mandatory health insurance program.

Students are responsible for all aspects — academic, legal, medical, etc. — of their participation in the program. Students must meet the language requirements of the individual Ontario universities, which are outlined below. Students are responsible for arranging any transfer of credits to their home university.

Students are nominated by their home university in Jiangsu based on that institution’s selection processes and criteria. Application forms must contain a list of three Ontario universities at which the applicant wishes to study. The Academic Directors will place as many students as possible at their first-choice institution. It is program policy, however, that students be placed equitably throughout the system of participating Ontario universities. The prospective host university is responsible for deciding whether to admit students and at what level (graduate or undergraduate).
### Ontario Universities:

The following Ontario universities are participating in the program:

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<td><a href="http://www.nipissingu.ca">www.nipissingu.ca</a></td>
<td>Courtney Hughes</td>
<td><a href="mailto:myinternational@nipissingu.ca">myinternational@nipissingu.ca</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.uoit.ca/">http://www.uoit.ca/</a></td>
<td>Shanna Crowder</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.ryerson.ca">www.ryerson.ca</a></td>
<td>Samantha Laroque</td>
<td><a href="mailto:rihelp@ryerson.ca">rihelp@ryerson.ca</a></td>
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<td>Alyssa Szilagyi</td>
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<td>Michelle Fitzgerald</td>
<td><a href="mailto:exchange@uwindsor.ca">exchange@uwindsor.ca</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.yorku.ca">www.yorku.ca</a></td>
<td>Hani El Masry</td>
<td><a href="mailto:exchange@yorku.ca">exchange@yorku.ca</a></td>
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**Language Requirements:**

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| **Carleton University** | **Undergraduate Students:**  
• Internet Based TOEFL (iBT) 86 (minimum of 22 in writing and speaking and 20 in reading and listening)  
• IELTS 6.5 (minimum 6.0 in each band)  
• CAEL 70 (minimum of 60 in each band)  
**Graduate Students:**  
• Internet Based TOEFL (iBT/Next Generation) 100 (minimum of 25 in writing, speaking, reading and listening)  
• IELTS 8.0 (minimum 7.5 in each band)  
• CAEL 70 (minimum of 60 in each band)  
Pearson Test of English (PTE)(Academic): 60 overall (minimum 60 in each Communicative Skill) |
| **University of Guelph** | No official test required. Letter of support from university accepted. |
| **McMaster University** | No official test required. Letter of support from university accepted.  
MBA students require official test. |
| **Nipissing University** | No official test required. Letter of support from university accepted. |
| **OCAD University** | TOEFL or IELTS test required. Official results of proficiency test must be submitted with application.  
**TOEFL:** internet-based score (IBT) of 80 overall with no scores below the following: 19 in Reading, 14 in Listening, 22 in Speaking, and 20 in Writing. Where IBT is not available: PBT (Paper-based TOEFL) minimum score of 580.  
**IELTS:** 6.5 overall with no part below 6.0 (academic version) |
| **Ontario Tech University** | **TOEFL:** iBT with a minimum score of 83 to 87 overall (may vary by program). Minimum section requirements of listening: 20; reading: 20; speaking: 19; and writing: 20; or paper-based test: 560. (Education and Nursing programs require a score of 87.) UOIT’s TOEFL code is 7178.  
**IELTS:** 6.5 with no sub-score less than 6.0 (Education and Nursing programs require a score of 7.0). |
| **Ryerson University** | No official test required. Letter of support from university accepted.  
Some ESL support is available. – NOTE: this information is from last year and might have changed. Please enquire with Ryerson. |
| **Western University** | Undergraduate: no official test required. Letter of support from university accepted. |
| **University of Windsor** | Students need to have a level of English that is at least equal to (or better) than **IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL-IBT 85.** Because of COVID we are also accept the TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition test as a temporary alternative to the TOEFL iBT test.  
We can also accept the Duolingo English Test as a measure of English language proficiency. To qualify, applicants must achieve a **minimum score of 120** on the DET. Any older Duolingo test that predates July 15, 2019 will not be considered. |
| **York University** | No official test required. Letter of support from university accepted.  
**Exception:** Law – **TOEFL:** minimum 93 with 22 in writing and speaking  
Graduates: If English is not the student’s first language, he or she must present proof of TOEFL results or equivalent proof of English proficiency. For most graduate programs a paper test score of 600 is the minimum requirement for TOEFL. Requirements for individual programs: [http://futurestudents.yorku.ca/graduate/programs/](http://futurestudents.yorku.ca/graduate/programs/) |
Frequently Asked Questions:

1. What does the OJS Exchange offer me?

The OJS exchange offers Jiangsu students the following benefits:

• You do not pay tuition in Ontario; this means that, in effect, you are being offered a scholarship worth between $10,000 and $26,000.
• A provincial-wide exchange gives you the opportunity to identify universities with particular academic strengths in your areas of interest.
• The OJS exchange will provide excellent advising and support
• Through liaison with the Canadian Embassy in Beijing we ensure that your visa application is identified as part of the OJS exchange.

2. How can I be sure the program will place me at my first-choice university?

The short answer is: You can’t be sure. We will do our best to accommodate your wishes, and we will not place you at a university at which you cannot carry out your proposed program of study. We do reserve the right to place you at a university that you have not requested, in order to ensure equitable distribution of Jiangsu students throughout Ontario. Remember too that each university can accept a limited number of exchange students; sometimes, more students select a university than it can accept. We will ask you first before placing you at a university you have not listed on your application.

You can increase your chances of being placed at your first-choice university by (1) informing yourself thoroughly about each of the Ontario universities and making sure you and your program will “fit” the profile of a prospective university; (2) making clear, in the study plan you enclose with your application, why a particular university is important to you. Please note: Saying that you wish to take particular courses or to study with a particular professor is usually not persuasive. (In any case there is no guarantee, short of an invitation from the professor that she or he will be teaching in a given year.)

The absolute worst way of getting to a particular university is to list only that university on your application form. Applications that do not indicate three possible universities will not be considered (except where fewer than three universities offer your program of study).

3. Do I have to take TOEFL?

It is usually but not always a requirement. Please check the language requirement section of this document for the individual university requirements.

4. Can I earn a degree while in Ontario?

One of the firm principles of the OJS exchange is that students remain degree candidates at their home university, not at their host university. In other words, you cannot earn a degree while on the exchange. If you wish to change from non-degree to degree status, you will have to go through the regular admissions process and pay full tuition fees. You will also cease to be a member of the exchange.
5. How long should I stay in Ontario?

You have a choice of a one- or two-semester exchanges; however, we strongly recommend the two semester exchange as our experience has been that students need this much time to adjust to academic life in Ontario and to benefit fully from their stay in Ontario.

The fall term starts at the beginning of September and lasts into December (with an examination period in December). The winter term starts right after New Year’s (January) and goes through late April or early May (depending on examination schedules). In some cases, you may also take summer courses at their host university without paying tuition, but this depends on the individual university.

6. Is it hard to find a place to live in Ontario?

It depends on the city. In Toronto and Ottawa, it is sometimes difficult to find an off-campus (or in some cases, an on-campus) room at an acceptable price. In smaller cities the situation is less difficult. Many Ontario universities will offer residence rooms to OJS students. You should check with the International Office of the prospective host universities.

7. How much will it cost to study in Ontario?

Your university’s international office can give you good advice. Some of the things to consider are: (1) you do not have to pay tuition in Ontario, but (2) you do need to purchase health insurance in Ontario (about $60 per month). (3) You need to figure in your flight, rent, meals, and books (Canadian students generally must buy more books than do Chinese students), as well as telephone, local transit, and entertainment costs. It will probably cost you at least $1000 (about 5000 CNY) per month, excluding airfare.

8. Can I work or participate in an internship while in Canada?

You may take a job, but only on the campus of your host university. You may also participate in an internship/practicum, but you will need to arrange both the permission and the position by yourself – this is not part of the OJS exchange.
Carleton University (Ottawa)

General Information

Homepage  www.carleton.ca
Webpage International Office  www.carleton.ca/isso
Primary Contact Person(s)  Nancy Leslie, Incoming Exchange Program Coordinator
For student enquiries: exchange@carleton.ca

Language Competence

Proof of English proficiency is required for students whose first language is not English and the primary language of instruction at their home institution is not English.

Documents should be original, with test dates no more than 24 months from the time of application, and should be officially translated into English.

Undergraduate Students:
- Internet Based TOEFL (iBT) 86 (minimum of 22 in writing and speaking and 20 in reading and listening)
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Graduate Students:
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- CAEL 70 (minimum of 60 in each band)
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NOTE: Undergraduate and graduate students must achieve the TOTAL minimum score indicated. They must also achieve the minimum score indicated for each BAND in Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening. (there are no exceptions)

Student Activity Fees & Medical Insurance

- University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP) is mandatory. More details online at https://carleton.ca/isso/uhip/
- U-Pass is a mandatory bus pass and train pass for the city of Ottawa. Charges will automatically be applied to the student account upon full-time course registration. More details available online at https://carleton.ca/upass/

University Exchange Nomination Deadlines

Nominations for exchange to Carleton University are submitted online at https://carleton.ca/isso/carleton-university-exchange-nomination/

Nominations must be submitted for each student to be nominated.

All of the information noted below is required for the submission of a nomination form, particularly the English proficiency data (if applicable).

Nominations submitted without this information will not be accepted:
- Student Last Name
- Student Middle Name(s) (if applicable)
- Student First Name(s)
- Term(s) of Exchange (Fall Term, Winter Term, or Full Year)
- Level of Study (Undergraduate or Graduate)
- Degree/Study Program at Home Institution
- Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY format)
- Student Home Address
- Student Email Address

English Language Test Score, Type & Date Completed
Carleton University (Ottawa)

University Exchange

Application Deadlines
- **April 15 for Fall Term** (September to December)
- **April 15 for Full Year** (September to April)
- **October 15 for Winter Term** (January to April)

Application Instructions available online at https://payments.carleton.ca/isso/incoming-exchange-application/

Supporting Documents to be Included with Application Form
- Official proof of English proficiency (TOEFL, IELTS, CAEL or CEFR). The test report must be in English and the test date cannot be **more than 24 months prior to application**
- Most recent official transcript translated into English with the Home Institution’s Grading System
- In order of priority, a list of **ten** (10) Carleton courses the student would like to be registered in, including course titles and course codes.
- Portfolios must be included for students applying for courses in **Architecture**, **Industrial Design** and **Interactive Multimedia Design (IMD)** An **audition** is required for performance courses in Music

Residence

**On-Campus Housing:**
- **Not guaranteed.** Students apply online using their Carleton University Student Number, which is provided in their Letter of Acceptance.

Application and Deadline Dates:
http://housing.carleton.ca/applying-to-residence/exchange-students/

Residence Fee Breakdown:

Questions: For all residence related inquiries please contact the Housing Department directly: Tel: +1 (613) 520-5612, Email: accommodations@carleton.ca

**Off-Campus Housing:**
Students are responsible for securing their own accommodations. Visit the **off-campus housing** website (http://housing.carleton.ca/off-campus-housing/) offered by the Department of Housing to access listings and other resources.

For additional information about living off campus, please email off_campus_housing@carleton.ca.

It is suggested to arrive 2-3 weeks prior to the start of the term, should finances allow you to do so. Students should start making appointments to see the off-campus listings that are of interest and book temporary accommodations to allow them to perform searches in person. Many lease and rental agreements start on the 1st of the month and the longer you wait, the less you will have to choose from. We are not able to assist in the search for off-campus accommodations.

Financial Aid

Not available. Students should consult with their home institution or program office.

Undergraduate Study

**Number of Spaces**
1 single-semester student

**Restrictions on Disciplines**
List of courses **not available**: http://carleton.ca/isso/new-students/incoming-students/courses-not-available/

Carleton’s academic departments reserve the right to restrict courses not found on this list if deemed necessary.

**Academic Notes**
Course availability is subject to change and for this reason we cannot guarantee registration in specific courses. For exchange term(s) at Carleton, students should create a study plan that includes a mixture of courses from their major, minor, concentration and most especially free electives.

The courses listed on an Incoming Exchange Application form will be reviewed by Carleton’s departmental advisors. If courses have been selected from more than one discipline, a request will be sent to the designated department contact for each discipline.

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Carleton University (Ottawa)

NOTE: A student may not be approved to take all of the courses they have requested on their application. This can be due to a number of factors, including but not limited to: course is restricted and not open to exchange students, course is full, course is not offered in correct exchange term, course is cancelled, course conflicts with other registered courses or the student does not meet the academic prerequisites to take the course.

Undergraduate Calendar:
http://calendar.carleton.ca/undergrad/
Undergraduate Courses:
calendar.carleton.ca/undergrad/courses/

Undergraduate Students: (1000 to 4000 Course Level)
Minimum: 1.5 credits per term (3 courses)
Maximum: 2.5 credits per term (5 courses)
Recommended: 2.0 credits per term (4 courses)

All exchange students must follow the requirements set by their home institution with regards to their course load.

1 semester course = 0.5 Carleton credits
0.5 Carleton Credits (1 Course) = 6 ECTS
2.5 Carleton Credits (5 Courses) = 30 ECTS

Information on your course registration will be emailed to the Carleton email account for undergraduate students from the Registrar’s Office. Included in that email will be detailed instructions on how to make registration changes.

Language courses:
If you have requested a language course and have previous knowledge of that language, you must complete a placement test to confirm your level of proficiency. If it is determined that you have a higher level of proficiency, you will be required to withdraw from the course. Your placement test would be completed in the main office of the School of Linguistics and Language Studies (SLaLS). For information on the testing schedules, please consult the placement testing page available or call +1 (613) 520-6612. Following the test, an email will be sent to your Carleton email account indicating your language placement. At this point you will be able to register in the course level indicated (space permitting). You should attempt to take the placement test as soon as you arrive in Canada as space in language courses is limited. Although testing for Carleton students is expected to be completed prior to the start of classes, testing after classes have started is permitted for exchange students. Testing for the Fall term is not available after the end of the first week of classes. For Winter term language courses, testing will begin again in October and continue until December.

Graduate Study

Number of Spaces

1 single-semester student; no MBA

Restrictions on Disciplines

List of courses not available: http://carleton.ca/isso/new-students/incoming-students/courses-not-available/

Carleton’s academic departments reserve the right to restrict courses not found on this list if deemed necessary.
Carleton University (Ottawa)

**Academic Notes**

**Graduate Students:** (5000 Course Level)

Minimum: 0.5 credits per term (1 course)

Maximum: 1.5 credits per term (3 courses)

**Recommended:** 1.0 credits per term (2 courses)

All exchange students must follow the requirements set by their home institution with regards to their course load.

Information on your course registration will be emailed to the Carleton email account for graduate students from the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs. Included in that email will be detailed instructions on how to make registration changes.

Incoming graduate exchange students should be aware that the availability of graduate level courses (5000-level) changes on an annual basis and registration in specific 5000-level courses cannot be guaranteed. Should incoming graduate exchange students be required to take specific graduate level courses in accordance with the regulations of their home institution, they should contact the applicable Carleton Graduate Department (http://graduate.carleton.ca/programs/) as part of their research into which courses would be available prior to applying for exchange.

Please note that incoming graduate exchange students may register in undergraduate level courses.
# University of Guelph (Guelph)

## General Information

**Homepage**
www.uoguelph.ca  

**Webpage International Office**
https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/index-page/incoming-exchange  

**Primary Contact Person(s)**
- Chen Chen  
  Education Abroad Advisor for students in Arts, Social Science & Commerce  
  goabroad@uoguelph.ca  
- Mike Lafleur  
  Education Abroad Advisor for Sciences & Engineering  
  goabroad@uoguelph.ca  

**Language Competence**
No test (such as TOEFL) required but oral and written fluency in English is expected.

**Student Activity Fees & Medical Insurance**
- UHIP (government health insurance covering basic medical care, approx. $60/month)  
- Student Health Plan (covering prescription medication, physical therapy, etc., approx. $87.50/semester)  
- Dental Plan (approx. $118/semester)  
- Bus Pass (approx. $157/semester). All student fees are mandatory except for the dental plan for which students may receive a refund for.

## University Exchange Application Deadlines

- **April 15** for exchange in Fall (September – December)  
- **October 15** for exchange in Winter (January – April)

## Residence
Residence Housing is guaranteed if application is submitted by the deadline. Rates vary (from approx. $3400 to $4100/semester); some residences have a mandatory meal plan. Most exchange students live in the East Residence, East Village Townhouses or West Residence – 4 to 6 bedroom apartments with kitchen (no meal plan required – students can cook their own meals which is a cheaper option).

## Financial Aid
Undergraduate students: A very limited number of scholarships are available for students from certain countries through the Government of Canada:  
http://www.scholarships-bourses.gc.ca  
Exchange students are able to work part-time on-campus only, as long as they have a Study Permit (visa). Please note that jobs on campus are limited and competition is high.

## General Notes
Exchange Course Selection Guides:  
https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange/academics-guelph/course-selection/exchange-course-selection-guides  
Exact course schedule for Fall semester is posted in February, schedule for Winter posted in October on WebAdvisor.  
To see all courses offered – Undergraduate course calendar:  
https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c12/index.shtml  
Graduate course calendar:  
https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/graduate/current/apdxa/index.shtml  
All undergraduate exchange student course registration is done by the Education Abroad Advisors at the Centre for International Programs.

## Undergraduate Study

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<td>The regular course load for a full-time undergraduate student is 4 - 5 courses per semester (equal to 2.0 – 2.5 credits). Each course is usually 0.5 credits but some courses may be 0.75 credits or even 1.0 credits.</td>
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<td>The regular course load for a full-time graduate student is 1 – 3 courses per semester (usually 0.5 – 1.5 credits).</td>
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# McMaster University (Hamilton)

## General Information

**Homepage**
[www.mcmaster.ca](http://www.mcmaster.ca)

**Webpage International Office**
[https://studentsuccess.mcmaster.ca/international-students/incoming-exchange-students/](https://studentsuccess.mcmaster.ca/international-students/incoming-exchange-students/)

**Primary Contact Person(s)**
Jenna Levi, Education Abroad Coordinator  
Telephone: 905-525-9140 ext. 26105  
Email: levij@mcmaster.ca

**Language Competence**
English certification is required for MBA exchange students only.  
For more information on MBA Language Proficiency: [http://mbarecruit.degroote.mcmaster.ca/admissions/before-you-apply/](http://mbarecruit.degroote.mcmaster.ca/admissions/before-you-apply/)

For all other applicants, proof of English language proficiency is not required. However, all students are expected to possess adequate language fluency so that they may enjoy full participation in classes (reading, writing, speaking). The student must satisfy the English proficiency requirements set by the home institution for study abroad in English, and with consideration to [McMaster’s recommended proficiency levels](http://mbarecruit.degroote.mcmaster.ca/admissions/before-you-apply/). Please note McMaster does not offer courses for English as an Additional Language (EAL/ESL).

## Student Activity Fees & Medical Insurance

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<td>Accommodation</td>
<td>$3,200 – $4,000</td>
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<td>$2,000 – $3,000</td>
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## University Exchange Application Deadlines

- **Residence**: April 15
- **Financial Aid**: Not applicable.

## Undergraduate Study

### Number of Spaces

- 2 single-semester or 1 full year undergraduate or graduate students
**McMaster University (Hamilton)**

**Restrictions on Disciplines**

**General Restrictions**

Students accepted at the undergraduate level are NOT eligible to take courses at the graduate (master) level. Exchange with the Arts & Science Program is not permitted, with the exception of the ARTSSCI 4MN2 / Movement and Integration.

**Faculty of Humanities**

Multimedia and Studio Art courses are restricted, but may be open to students registered in a similar program at their home university (space permitting). Students interested in these courses should contact McMaster early to check availability and, if interested in Studio Art, submit a portfolio. MELD courses are not open to exchange.

**Faculty of Engineering**

The Bachelor of Technology program is not available to exchange students. Computer Science and Software Engineering courses are also very limited. Engineering students are permitted to register in most Level 4 courses. Engineering students wishing to take a business course must be enrolled in an Engineering Management program at their home university to be eligible.

**Faculty of Social Sciences**

Students applying for ‘PNB’ (Psychology, Neuroscience, and Behaviour) courses must have completed ‘A’ Level Mathematics and at least ‘O’ level Biology. This would equate to university Calculus and grade 12 Biology (highest biology level in high school). Students applying to the psychology program must provide copies of A and O Levels.

**Faculty of Science**

Enrolment in Science Inquiry and Senior Projects is restricted (may be waived on case-by-case basis). Students should email McMaster in advance to confirm eligibility.

**DeGroote School of Business**

The Economics program is part of the Faculty of Social Sciences, and not part of the School of Business. This may affect some students’ eligibility for Commerce courses depending on the agreement between McMaster and a partner university. Students should have a background in Business in order to apply. Courses in the IBH program are not available.

**Graduate Study**

**Number of Spaces**

2 single-semester or 1 full year undergraduate or graduate students

**Restrictions on Disciplines**

Undergraduate courses/programs: Any undergraduate course offered within the DeGroote School of Business is not open to graduate students of any discipline.

Graduate courses/programs not available:

- Faculty of Health Sciences (All Programs).
- Masters of Finance
- Executive Business Administration (EMBA).
- Professional Accounting (Diploma)
- MiNDS Neuroscience.
- Global Health 702 - Global Health Foundations (Course)
- Masters of Health Management
- Interdisciplinary Studies – some courses crossing with the Faculty of Health Sciences may not be available.

**MBA**

Not permitted to take undergraduate courses in the School of Business. Not permitted to take courses with the following codes: I600 level, 650 level, HSM C700, T level, D700.
McMaster University (Hamilton)

*Academic Notes* Students studying at the Graduate (Masters) level will have completed a bachelor’s degree and be currently enrolled in a Master’s program at their home university. Students must be at M2 by the time they arrive at McMaster. Graduate exchange students are expected to take courses at the graduate level only (700 level).
### Nipissing University (North Bay)

#### General Information

**Homepage**  
www.nipissingu.ca

**Webpage for International Students**  
www.nipissingu.ca/international/

**Primary Contact Person(s)**  
Courtney Hughes (myinternational@nipissingu.ca)

**Language Competence**  
No formal test is required and institutional evaluations and letters of recommendation are accepted.

**Student Activity Fees**  
Required: UHIP ($60/ month) + compulsory ancillary fees including one time charges for bus pass ($191.44). NOTE: Fees subject to slight increases from year to year

**University Exchange Application Deadline**

- **Fall:** May 1st
- **Winter:** October 1st

**Residence**  
Each student has a private bedroom in residence and shares a kitchen, living room and bathroom with 4-6 other students. Residence cost range between $2908.00 to $3262.50 per semester (depending on residence). Students will be financially responsible for any damages incurred. The residence application deadline is July 1st for the 1st semester and December 1st for the 2nd semester. There is no mandatory meal plan. Temporary accommodation before classes start in August can be arranged according to student’s need, but must be requested 1 month prior to arrival. Costs depend on the circumstances. Residence applications are completed online after the student is accepted to study on exchange.

**Financial Aid**  
None

#### Undergraduate Study

**Number of Spaces**  
4 single-semester or 2 full year students

**Restrictions on Disciplines**  
Students wanting to study in the Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Social Work and Bachelor of Science in Nursing programs will be required to choose from a restricted list of available courses and will be approved on a case by case basis.

**Academic Notes**  
None

#### Graduate Study

**Number of Spaces**  
Students interested in studying in one of Nipissing University’s Masters Programs; Master of Arts in History, Master of Environmental Sciences/Studies, Master of Science of Mathematics and Master of Education should contact Courtney Hughes (email listed above). Note: The courses are limited for Master of Education students.
## General Information

**Homepage**  
www.ocadu.ca

**Webpage for International Students**  

**Primary Contact Person(s)**  
Le Dao, Coordinator, International Student Support & Exchange Programs  
international@ocadu.ca

### Language Competence

TOEFL or IELTS test required. Official results of proficiency test must be submitted with application.

**TOEFL:** internet-based score (IBT) of 84 overall with no scores below the following: 20 in Reading, 19 in Listening, 22 in Speaking, and 20 in Writing. Where IBT is not available: PBT (Paper-based TOEFL) minimum score of 580.

**IELTS:** 6.5 overall with no part below 6.0 (academic version)

### Student Activity Fees & Medical Insurance

Must join University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP). The current fee is $60 per month.

Production Materials fees are required for some studio courses. Fees range from $5 to $45 per course.

Software fees are required for some studio courses. Fees range from $165 to $220 depending on program.

### University Exchange Application Deadline

April 1 for fall semester only or full year  
Oct 1 for winter semester only

### Residence

No residence. Students must find off-campus housing

### Financial Aid

Not available to exchange students

## Undergraduate Study

### Number of Spaces

4 single-semester students (2 fall term and 2 winter term)

### Restrictions on Disciplines

All undergraduate programs are open to exchange students, except for Creative Writing and Indigenous Visual Culture

## Graduate Study

### Number of Spaces

We are not able to take exchange students at the graduate level at the moment.
## General Information

**Homepage**  
http://www.ontariotechu.ca/

**Webpage International Office**  
http://international.ontariotechu.ca/

**Primary Contact Person(s)**  
Shannan Crowder, internationalexchange@ontariotechu.ca

**Language Competence**

- **TOEFL**: iBT with a minimum score of 83 to 87 overall (may vary by program). Minimum section requirements of listening: 20; reading: 20; speaking: 19; and writing: 20; or paper-based test: 560. (Education and Nursing programs require a score of 87.) UOIT’s TOEFL code is 7178.
- **IELTS**: 6.5 with no sub-score less than 6.0 (Education and Nursing programs require a score of 7.0).

**Student Activity Fees & Medical Insurance**  
Medical Insurance (UHIP) $56 per month - subject to change

**University Exchange Application Deadlines**

- **Fall semester (April 15th)**
- **Winter semester (Oct. 15th)**

**Residence**  
YES

**Financial Aid**  
N/A

## Undergraduate Study

**Number of Spaces**  
To be determined.

**Restrictions on Disciplines**

Courses in the following departments are limited and not available to exchange students:

- Nursing
- Medical lab science

## Graduate Study

**Number of Spaces**  
To be determined.

**Restrictions on Disciplines**  
no
### Ryerson University (Toronto)

#### General Information

**Homepage**
www.ryerson.ca

**Webpage for International Students**
https://www.ryerson.ca/ri/

**Primary Contact Person(s)**
Samantha Laroque, rihelp@ryerson.ca (for students)

**Language Competence**
Minimum English proficiency results can be found here:
https://www.ryerson.ca/admissions/undergraduate/requirements/english-language/

Please see ‘Alternate Tests’ section of the webpage for specific score for TOEFL, MELAB, IELTS, CAEL and PTE. We use these results as guidelines for assessing incoming exchange students.

**NOTE:** this information is from last year and might have changed. Please enquire with Ryerson.

#### Student Activity Fees

Required: UHIP ($60/month). Some courses involve additional fees.

#### University Exchange Application Deadlines

- **Fall:** Nominations: March 15, Applications: April 1st
- **Winter:** Nominations: Aug. 31, Applications: Sept 19

#### Residence

Finding accommodations is the responsibility of the exchange student. Students staying for the Fall & Winter semesters or only the Winter semester may apply to the on-campus residences. However, please note there are many more applicants than spaces available. The application deadline is in early June.

There are also several non-Ryerson-affiliated residences near campus, as well as many private apartments for rent. Students should search and apply for housing well in advance of their arrival in Toronto to ensure they find convenient and affordable accommodations as the housing market is very competitive, especially in the Fall. There is no temporary accommodation via Ryerson available in August before classes start.

**Financial Aid**

Financial Aid is not available to exchange students. Exchange students are occasionally allowed to work on campus, but should not rely on this possibility for their living expenses.

#### Undergraduate Study

**Number of Spaces**
2 single-semester or 1 full year student

**Restrictions on Disciplines**
Difficult to place students in highly competitive programs such as FCAD (Image Arts, Journalism, Radio & Television Arts, Fashion), Ryerson Theatre School and English Department are not open to exchange students. All applicants will be handled on a case-by-case basis and require approval from the academic program.

**Academic Notes**
Students **must select a Ryerson undergraduate program and choose courses offered through that program** when completing the ORA application form.

Exchange students are required to take a minimum of 4 courses and a maximum of 6 courses. When preparing a study plan, students should choose 8-10 courses per semester to allow for flexibility during the enrollment process, as course conflicts may arise, some courses may fill up quickly or some courses may not be offered every semester.

#### Graduate Study

**Number of Spaces**
No spaces available at graduate level
## Western University (London)

### General Information

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**Language Competence**

No official test required for undergraduates. It is expected that students be prepared and able to participate in a full-time course load in English, the language of instruction at Western.

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**Residence**

http://www.has.uwo.ca/housing/

**Financial Aid**

Not applicable

**General Notes**

Welcome to Western University:
https://international.uwo.ca/learning/come_to_western/incoming_exchange_students/index.html

Getting Started: Welcome International Students:
https://www.uwo.ca/international/iesc/new_students/index.html

International Exchange Student – Fact Sheet:

### Undergraduate Study

**Number of Spaces**

1 full year or 2 semester spaces

**Restrictions on Disciplines**

Courses in the following departments are sometimes limited, and not always available to exchange students:

- Management and Organizational Studies
- Economics
- Education – not available to any exchange student; Western’s program is one year only.
- Kinesiology
- Psychology
- Biology
- Engineering
- Political Science – upper year courses have limited enrollment
- Exchange students are not eligible to take courses in professional programs such as Law, Medicine, Aviation, Dentistry, Business (Ivey), Education, and professional programs in the Faculty of Health Sciences

https://international.uwo.ca/learning/come_to_western/incoming_exchange_students/academics.html

**Academic Notes**

As part of the application, students visiting for the winter term only, please submit a list of courses taken during the first term at your home university.

### Graduate Study

**Number of Spaces**

0
General Information

Homepage: http://www.uwindsor.ca/
Webpage International Office: http://www.uwindsor.ca/exchange
Primary Contact Person(s): Michelle Fitzgerald
University of Windsor
Exchange Office / ISC – Laurier Hall (2nd floor)
Ontario, Canada, N9B 3P4
Email: exchange@uwindsor.ca

Language Competence

Students need to have a level of English that is at least equal to (or better) than IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL-IBT 85. Because of COVID we are also accept the TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition test as a temporary alternative to the TOEFL iBT test.

We can also accept the Duolingo English Test as a measure of English language proficiency. The Duolingo English Test has been designed for maximum accessibility; it is delivered via the internet, without a testing center, and is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. It is a computer-adaptive test (CAT), and it uses item types that provide maximal information about English language proficiency. To qualify, applicants must achieve a minimum score of 120 on the DET. Any older format Duolingo test, which is any Duolingo test that predates July 15, 2019, will not be considered.

Student Activity Fees & Medical Insurance

ALL exchange students are required to purchase the UWindsor Health Insurance (GSHIP). This insurance provides good insurance coverage for routine medical care and any medical emergencies in Ontario and the rest of Canada. The cost for 1 semester during the 2020-2021 academic year was $250 (Canadian dollars).

** All prices are subject to change.

University Exchange Application Deadlines

Semester 1: Deposits and other requirements are generally due before the end of June (exact dates will vary)
Semester 2: Deposits and other requirements are generally due before the end of November (exact dates will vary)

Residence: YES - available to all exchange students. Basic information can be found on the UWindsor Exchange website.

Financial Aid: None

General Notes: UWindsor application is completed online; students will be emailed the password.

Undergraduate Study

Number of Spaces: 2 single-semester or 1 full year students (prefer full year or winter semester)
Restrictions on Disciplines: All areas are potentially available except where noted.

FACTORY OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Humanities and Social Sciences - Communication, Media, and Film; History; Political Science (including International Relations); Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminology; Social Justice and Labour Studies; Social Work and Women’s Studies
- Arts - Dramatic Art (excluding ALL BFA classes); English Literature and Creative Writing; Languages, Literatures, & Civilizations (French, Spanish, German, and Italian); Philosophy; and the Creative Arts (includes Music; Visual Arts; Visual Arts and the Built Environment (VABE); and Film Production & Media Arts) (excluding MOST VABE classes)

** The new School of Creative Arts (SoCA) building is at the Downtown campus and not on main campus.
University of Windsor (Windsor)

FACULTY OF BUSINESS (www.uwindsor.ca/business)
o Areas Include – Accounting, Management, Finance, Management Science, Marketing, and Business Strategy & Entrepreneurship
o MBA (only available in the Fall semester)
o Master of Management (MoM) - NOT AVAILABLE

FACULTY OF EDUCATION - NOT AVAILABLE

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING (www.uwindsor.ca/engineering)
o Civil & Environmental; Electrical & Computer; Industrial & Manufacturing Systems; Mechanical, Automotive, & Materials
o MEng classes are NOT AVAILABLE

FACULTY OF HUMAN KINETICS (www.uwindsor.ca/HK)
o Movement Science
o Leisure and Sport Management

FACULTY OF LAW (www.uwindsor.ca/law)
o Only available to students who are studying in an LLB or LLM degree
o Please contact the UWindsor Exchange Office for more details and before nominating any student for Law

FACULTY OF SCIENCE (www.uwindsor.ca/science)
o Chemistry (including Biochemistry); Biology (including Biotechnology); Physics; Nursing; Computer Science; Math and Statistics; Earth and Environmental Science (Geology); Economics; and Forensic Science

Academic Notes

Graduate Study

Number of Spaces 0
York University (Toronto)

General Information

Homepage: http://www.yorku.ca/index.html
Webpage International Office: http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/go-global/coming-to-yorku-on-exchange/
Primary Contact Person(s): Hani El Masry (exchange@yorku.ca)

Language Competence

Undergraduates: If English is not the student’s first language, he or she should have proof of English Proficiency appropriate for study at the University level. The proof can be either an official TOEFL score (as outlined below) or a letter from the home university confirming appropriate language proficiency. If proof of language proficiency is a letter from the home university, the TOEFL scores listed at www.futurestudents.yorku.ca/requirements/language_tests should be used as guidelines when assessing proficiency.
Graduates: If English is not the student’s first language, he or she must present proof of TOEFL results or equivalent proof of English proficiency. For most graduate programs a paper test score of 600 is the minimum requirement for TOEFL. However, it is best to check the requirements for individual programs http://futurestudents.yorku.ca/graduate/programs/

Student Activity Fees & Medical Insurance

Course material fees may apply. Information is included in the Course Description information.

Primary health insurance plan - UHIP (University Health Insurance Plan) is a mandatory primary care plan. Exchange students are advised not to purchase health insurance from home as UHIP is a mandatory plan. Further important information about the plan is found at: http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/current-international-students/health-insurance/
The Exchange Program On-Campus Housing Application, will be sent directly to students when available (in April/May). Traditional and apartment style space is available, determined by student’s age.

Residence

Not applicable

Financial Aid

Nomination deadline: Dec 1 – Jan 15
UNDERGRADUATE Exchange Application: March 1*
GRADUATE Exchange Application: February 1*
*Note: Applications for both fall and winter terms must be received by the deadlines.

University Exchange Application Deadlines

Undergraduate Study

Number of Spaces

2 single-semester students or 1 full year undergraduate or graduate student

Restrictions on Disciplines

Most upper year courses (3000 & 4000 level) will require students to have completed prerequisites for the courses. Though exchange students will not have the York prerequisite, it is imperative to have sufficient background to handle material in the course. Check information on Areas of Study and Restricted programs on the Coming to York on Exchange website.

Business (Schulich School of Business): Not open to exchange students.

Engineering: Space is limited in some classes. Labs may also not be possible. Please check with York International. Academic program reviews exchange applications and approves course enrollment.

Financial Accountability, Masters of (MFAc): Admission to this program is restricted. Prior discussion with York International required.

School of the Arts, Media, Performance and Design: Exchange students can only take courses in AMPD available to non-majors.

Law (Osgoode Hall Law School): Applications only considered for the JD Program. Spaces are restricted to 1 or 2 students per partner institution. Students should have completed at least 6 semesters of study and have successfully completed a substantial number of law courses prior to starting their exchange. Students may not enroll in first year law courses. A high GPA may also be required and the equivalent of a 600 TOEFL score. The LLM programs are currently not able to consider exchange applicants.

Nursing (Faculty of Health): This program is not currently open to exchange students.

Social Work: This program is not currently open to exchange students.
York University (Toronto)

- **Translation, Glendon College:** This program has restrictions; prior discussion with York International is required.

**Academic Notes**

The system that York uses for identifying its courses can be intimidating at first glance. This section will show you how to understanding what the course codes actually mean.

**Background Information:**

**Faculties**

York University is composed of 11 Faculties on 2 campuses.

1. Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (AP)
2. Education (ED)
3. Environmental and Urban Change (EUC)
4. School of the Arts, Media, Performance & Design (AMPD or FA)
5. Glendon (GL) * Faculty located on separate campus approximately 30 minutes away from the Keele Campus
6. Graduate Studies (GS)
7. Health (HH)
8. Osgoode Hall Law School (OS)
9. Schulich School of Business (Not available to Incoming Exchange Students coming through York International)
10. Faculty of Science (SC)
11. Lassonde School of Engineering (LSE)

**Courses**

For a list of courses available in a particular term or year, use the York Courses website: [https://w2prod.sis.yorku.ca/Apps/WebObjects/cdm](https://w2prod.sis.yorku.ca/Apps/WebObjects/cdm)

Use the Subject search link. Within the departments or subject areas on this list, courses are listed by course number and name.

**Understanding Course Codes**

AP/ANTH 1110 6.0

AP – indicates the name of the Faculty; i.e., Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies

ANTH – indicates the name of the department; (Anthropology department)

1110 – indicates the course number; 1000 indicates a first year undergraduate course; 2000 a second year undergraduate; 3000 a third year undergraduate; 4000 a fourth year undergraduate, 5000 and 6000 are graduate level courses

6.0 – indicates credit value of the course (6.0 credits are usually two term courses, 3.0 credits are either fall only or winter only courses, 9.0 are usually two term courses)

**Selecting Courses**

Click on the Course Schedule column on the course list for information on the term, day and time the course is offered. Check the Course Description column for more information on the course contents.

- **F** refers to courses that run in the Fall semester only
- **W** refers to courses that run in the Winter semester only
- **Y** refers to courses that begin in the Fall term and finish at the end of the Winter term.

Once students are admitted to York the majority of the courses they take must be from the subject area they are admitted into. However, students are allowed to take courses in other subject areas as long as they have sufficient background in the subject area, and there are no restrictions to enroll in these courses.

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**Graduate Study**

**Number of Spaces**

2 single-semester students or 1 full year undergraduate or graduate student

**Restrictions on Disciplines**

See undergraduate studies and below. See information on Areas of Study and restricted programs on our [Coming to York on Exchange website](#).

**Biology, Graduate level:** Courses at the graduate level in Biology (5000, 6000) are not open to exchange students. Students take courses as part of research projects at York and therefore, students not attached to a research project are not eligible to enroll in the courses. Therefore, exchange applicants interested in Biology at the graduate level should already be involved in a research project at their home university and should submit an application including a summary of a research project. Undertaking this type of program while on exchange requires an appointed supervisor; therefore, York International will submit the summary to the appropriate representative in the Program for review and recommendation. Exchange applicants
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who have made independent contact with the department and already have a designated supervisor, should submit a letter of invitation from the York professor with his/her exchange application. Acceptance of the proposal is not guaranteed, but reviewed on a case by case basis and depends on availability of York professors willing and able to act as supervisors.

Engineering: Applications are reviewed by the academic program.

Human Resources Management, Graduate level: Students from partner universities without a specifically signed departmental agreement will not be able to pursue courses in this program.

• Political Science, Graduate level: Demand for space in the graduate political science is high and therefore, spaces are limited. Exchange students must exceed minimum requirements for entry into the program.

Academic Notes

Applicants must be in a graduate program at a recognized university, normally with at least a B (second class) standing, or with qualifications accepted as equivalent. Courses or academic work taken on exchange at York, must apply to a degree at the student’s home institution, and cannot be used as degree exclusions, should the student ever decide to study as a degree student at York. Graduate programs at York University may have limited space availability for exchange students. Students must have completed a minimum of 3 years of undergraduate study in order to apply. We will work closely with partners, students and programs at York to find places for qualified applications received by the deadline.

Exchange Graduate Students applications are assessed and approved by the department/faculty. Course registration is assisted by the department.