



# Exchange Program Information Sheet

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## ➤ Application Requirements & Process

### Incoming Exchange Student Application Materials

- Online OGE StudyAway Exchange Program Application
  - Undergraduate, Graduate, and Intensive English Language Exchange Options
- Undergraduate/ Graduate Application for Admission to UGA (no application fee)
  - Student must be in good standing and recommended by home university
- Official transcript or grade report in English from home university
- Proof of English language proficiency (minimum scores)
  - TOEFL iBT: 80 (for graduate-min. sub-score of 20 in speaking and writing)
  - IELTS: 6.5 (for graduate-no sub-score below 6.0)
  - Cambridge International Examinations: "D" (undergrad only)
- Medical History and Immunization Forms
- Copy of Passport
- Course Request Form
- On-Campus Housing Application, if desired (online after acceptance)
- DS-2019 request for J-1 visa (submit upon request after acceptance)

### Nomination & Application Deadlines

|                 |   |                         |   |                        |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Fall Semester   | ➔ | March 1 Nomination      | ➔ | March 25 Application   |
| Spring Semester | ➔ | September 15 Nomination | ➔ | October 15 Application |

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excellence, diversity, and cultural exchange.



## ➤ Academic Information

### Level of Study

- Undergraduate or graduate, depending on exchange agreement and/or OGE approval

### Areas of Study Available

- Agriculture and Environmental Sciences
- Arts and Sciences
- Business
- Ecology
- Engineering
- Public Health
- Forestry and Natural Resources
- International Affairs
- Journalism
- Education
- Environment and Design
- Family and Consumer Sciences

### Course Limitations

- Courses in Terry College of Business, SPIA School of Public and International Affairs, and Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication have some restrictions
- Students are not permitted to take courses in Law, Pharmacy, and Veterinary Medicine

### UGA Schedule of Classes Offered

- Classes offered in previous and upcoming semester
- <http://www.reg.uga.edu/schedule-of-classes>

### UGA Bulletin

- Description of courses, pre-requisites and syllabi
- <http://www.bulletin.uga.edu/CoursesHome.aspx>

### Semester Course Load

- Undergraduate → 12-17 credit hours
- Graduate → 9-15 credit hours

### Please Note

- Students should confirm approval of UGA classes with home university
- Students are not guaranteed requested courses due to university restrictions, including class size, timetable, and previous study requirements

### Transcript Issue Date

- Fall Semester → January
- Spring Semester → June



## ➤ Additional Information

### Student Visa & UGA Immigration Services

- After acceptance, students will request the DS-2019 form which is needed to apply for a J-1 Student Exchange Visa
- Plan to demonstrate required funding cost per semester for academic and personal expenses
- <https://globalengagement.uga.edu/international-students>

### Student Housing

- UGA On-Campus Housing: Assignments made based on availability in UGA East Campus Village (ECV) or Brown Hall: <https://housing.uga.edu/>
- Off-Campus Housing: Arrangements made independently by students; <https://isl.uga.edu/housing-tips/>

### Insurance

- UGA Insurance Policy for International Students is required and automatically assigned
- [https://hr.uga.edu/students/Mandatory\\_Plan/student\\_mandatory\\_plan\\_home/](https://hr.uga.edu/students/Mandatory_Plan/student_mandatory_plan_home/)

### Estimated Semester Budget

|                 |             |                                      |                         |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| ISL Orientation | \$515/ \$75 | Personal Expenses                    | \$1,150                 |
| Housing*        | \$4,027     | Health Insurance*                    | \$1,194/ \$1,662        |
| Meals**         | \$2,129     | International Student Compliance Fee | \$70                    |
| Books/Supplies  | \$500       | <b>Total (USD)</b>                   | <b>\$9,585/ \$9,613</b> |

**Rates (if two prices are listed, the first indicates fall and the second is spring) \*based on Fall 2023- Spring 2024 rates**

**\*\*All-Access 7-Day Meal Plan**

### Transportation to Athens

- Air travel to Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport recommended; Groome Transportation shuttle service available from airport to UGA campus (<https://groometransportation.com/athens/>)
- Pick-up service from Groome Shuttle stop location at UGA campus may be available through OGE; must request in advance

### International Student Life Orientation

- Recommended multi-day orientation program hosted by Office of International Student Life (ISL) and the Office of Global Engagement (OGE).
  - Topics include campus life, immigration, cultural adjustment, safety, and academic issues
  - Orientation fees includes housing, meals, and excursions
- <https://isl.uga.edu/orientation/>



➤ **UGA Academic Calendar**

- <https://reg.uga.edu/general-information/calendars/academic-calendars/>

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|-----------|----------------|--|
| Fall 2024 | TBD August 4-5 | Arrival Date for ISL Orientation   |
|           | TBD August 3   | Early move-in date for ISL Orientation, extra fee charged                                |
|           | TBD August 5-9 | Fall ISL Orientation   |
|           | TBD            | Early move-in for on-campus housing, extra fee charged (if ISL Orientation was attended) |
|           | August 9       | General move-in date for on-campus housing   |
|           | August 9 - 13  | Suggested arrival dates for students not attending ISL Orientation                       |
|           | August 14      | OGE Exchange Orientation (for students who did not attend ISL Orientation)               |
|           | August 14      | Classes begin  |
|           | August 14-20   | Class Add/Drop Period  |
|           | September 2    | Labor Day Holiday - No Classes   |
|           | October 21     | Course withdrawal deadline   |
|           | October 25     | Fall Break - No Classes  |
|           | November 27-29 | Thanksgiving Holiday Break - No Classes  |
|           | December 3     | Last Day of Classes  |

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| Spring 2025 | December 5-11 | Final Exams |
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| Spring 2025 | TBD (likely Jan 2-3) | Arrival Date                                |
|             | TBD (likely Jan 3)   | Spring International Student Orientation    |
|             | January 6            | Classes begin                               |
|             | January 6-10         | Class Add/Drop Period                       |
|             | January 20           | Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday - No Classes |
|             | March 3-7            | Spring Break - No Classes                   |
|             | March 20             | Course withdrawal deadline                  |
|             | April 28             | Last Day of Classes                         |
|             | April 30-May 6       | Final Exams                                 |