

Please note: many of the questions and issues in this fact sheet are addressed in the Handbook for International Exchange Students accessible as a PDF file on the Purdue Study Abroad website: <http://www.studyabroad.purdue.edu/incoming/>

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1. Term dates and application deadlines

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| fall semester or academic year | early August | late December | March 15 |
| spring semester | early January | early May | October 15 |

2. Exchange Program Application and required documents

- a) download application from <http://www.studyabroad.purdue.edu/incoming/>
- b) clear copy of passport
- c) original signed letter from bank attesting to availability of \$5,525
- d) transcript (in English)
- e) information about English language ability if language of instruction is not English

3. Housing: see website above

application for campus housing form is downloadable from web site
deposit required

off-campus housing must be found by student; Purdue cannot offer assistance in locating rooms, apartments or roommates

4. Courses:

see http://www.purdue.edu/Purdue/course_info/

students need to list requested courses on application

students must enroll in a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester

5. Orientation: Exchange students are required to participate in the International Student Orientation organized by the Purdue Office of International Students and Scholars. This takes place one week prior to the beginning of fall and spring semester.

6. Visa: The exchange student application and the supporting documents are forwarded to the Purdue Office of International Students and Scholars for the preparation of a DS 2019 visa document. With that document the student applies at the closest U.S. consulate for a student visa.

7. Credits: Purdue uses the credit hour system. Since most courses at Purdue are worth 3 or 4 credits, students generally take 4 to 5 courses per semester. Exchange students in the past have commented that courses at Purdue involve a lot more work so we do not recommend that they take more than five courses per semester.

8. Grades: Academic performance in each course is evaluated by the professor using letter grades of "A" to "F". The grading system used to evaluate a student's academic performance is based on a four-point scale. At the end of the semester you will receive a number of credits corresponding to the courses you have successfully completed. These credits are multiplied by your grades to determine your "grade-point average" (G.P.A.). A G.P.A. provides a general indication of overall academic performance and is used by graduate school admissions offices and employers interested in a student's academic history. Generally, undergraduate students are expected to complete their studies with a "C" average or better.

9. Costs and Budgets: Tuition is to be paid at your home university. Applicants must show that they have a minimum of \$5,525 to cover the following: housing and meals, \$5,030 and books and supplies, \$ 495. these figures do not include costs for entertainment or travel within the U.S.

10. The Purdue Office of International Students and Scholars organizes an International Friendship Program. Please see <http://www.iss.purdue.edu/Programs/IFP/>