

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Iowa State University

Information Sheet for International Exchange Students

Iowa State is a large, prestigious university with a friendly hometown personality. Our 36,000 students choose from 100+ majors, study with world class scholars and keep more than 800 student organizations going strong. <http://www.iastate.edu/>

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Key Dates & Deadlines:

Application closing date for FALL Semester – March 15 for Fall Semester (Aug – Dec)
Application closing date for SPRING Semester – October 15 for Spring Semester (Jan – May)

Click on link below to **APPLY** and for more information regarding student semester exchanges:
<http://isuabroad.iastate.edu/?go=WUIncoming>

Very good information for Exchange Students (Housing Info, FAQs) can be found at:
<http://www.studyabroad.iastate.edu/home/students/incoming/>

Semester Dates:

ISU Fall Semester 2018

Orientation	August 13 – 17 (approximate)
Classes	August 20 – December 14
Fall Break	November 19 – 23
Final Exams	December 10 - 14

ISU Spring Semester 2019

Orientation	January 7 – 11 (approximate)
Classes	January 14 – May 10
Spring Break	March 18 - 22
Final Exams	May 6 - 10

For more information and exact dates please see the website below:
<http://www.registrar.iastate.edu/calendar/>

For more information on Exams and class timetables please see the website below:
<http://planner.iastate.edu/>

Additional information and forms:

Link to Online Application Form:

<http://isuabroad.iastate.edu/?go=WUIncoming>

English Language Proficiency

There is no longer a TOEFL requirement for non-degree exchange students. Please contact Jodi Cornell jcornell@iastate.edu if you have any questions.

Detailed Unit/subject information can be found through our website:

<http://catalog.iastate.edu/azcourses/>

Links to Colleges, Academic Departments, Majors:

<http://web.iastate.edu/depts/>

Insurance:

As medical treatment in the United States is very expensive, students participating in exchange programs are required to enroll in ISU's medical insurance plan for international students. Exchange students who wish to petition to substitute their previously purchased health insurance for the ISU health plan must provide a description of benefits to the Student and Scholar Insurance Office at isusship@iastate.edu.

If those benefits are not equal to or greater than those provided by the ISU plan, the ISU health insurance will be required. The ISU student health insurance policy provides affordable protection against major financial loss due to illness or accident and \$10,000 coverage for emergency medical evacuation. Substitute benefits must be in effect on or prior to arrival in the United States and will require at least a \$50,000 maximum benefit, \$10,000 medical evacuation and \$7,500 repatriation, and no more than \$500 deductible.

See <http://www.hrs.iastate.edu/hrs/SSHIP-International> for current rates and coverage of the ISU student health insurance plan.

As part of your exchange benefits, a Student Health Fee of \$98 per semester will be paid for you. This fee partially finances the services you receive at the Thielen Student Health Center and is not a substitute for health insurance. It is a prepayment plan that complements the medical insurance plan for international students. Further, an \$8 per semester Health Facility Fee to finance the construction of the new Student Health Center is included in your benefits.

Getting from the Airport to Campus:

In most cases if the exchange student contacts Jodi Cornell, and sends their arrival information (day, time, flight number), the student can be picked up from the Des Moines International Airport by a staff member or student working in the CALS Study Abroad office. There is also a shuttle service available to all incoming international students.

Accommodation:

The purpose of the exchange program is to enable students to immerse themselves in a foreign culture and university system. Living on campus can facilitate the interchange of ideas while providing a measure of security and support that is not readily available elsewhere.

Exchange students at ISU are guaranteed on-campus housing in a residence hall. Rooms normally house two students (double occupancy).

<http://www.housing.iastate.edu/>

About Ames, Iowa:

"Ames offers a small town atmosphere with all the amenities of a big city."

<http://www.iastate.edu/about/ames.php>

We hope to see you in Ames soon! Contact Mr. Jodi Cornell at jcornell@iastate.edu if you have any questions!