



University of Pittsburgh
CAMPUS: OAKLAND (PITTSBURGH)

2020-21 Factsheet for *Incoming Exchange Students*

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ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Details for the admission process: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/overallprocess>

Academic
Calendar &
Deadlines

| | Fall 2020 Semester | Spring 2021 Semester |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| International Student Check-in | Aug. 15 – 16, 2020 (Tentative) | Jan. 11 – 5, 2020 (Tentative) |
| Courses duration | Aug. 24 – Dec. 4, 2020 | Jan. 11 – Apr. 23, 2021 |
| Final Exams | Dec. 7 – 12, 2020 | Apr. 26 – May 1, 2021 |

| | Nomination Deadlines | Application Deadlines |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Year (Fall & Spring) | March 1 | March 25 |
| Fall (Semester 1) | March 1 | March 25 |
| Spring (Semester 2) | October 1 | October 15 |

See details: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/deadlines-calendar>

Application
Materials &
Requirements

- **Online application.**
- **Passport.**
- **English Language Requirements.** Non-native English speakers must meet one of the *minimum* requirements: **IELTS Band Score 6.5** or **TOEFL iBT 80**. Students who score less than 100 on the TOEFL iBT or Band 7.0 on the IELTS must take an additional proficiency test upon arrival.
- **Transcripts.**

See details: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/eligibility>

Tuition Costs &
Fees

Tuition: No tuition costs.
Special Fees: For select courses that require special equipment, such the physical education courses or studio art courses, fees maybe charged. For a list of the courses, please see the “Special Course Related Fees” for the following website here: <http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/courseclass.html>.
Pitt does not offer any scholarships to incoming exchange students.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

In order to be an exchange student, your home institutions must nominate you. Incoming exchange students should check-in with the home institution to ensure the nomination.

1. Go to the International Exchanges Website at <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/apply>. Select the correct campus and begin the correct application.
2. Indicate whether you have received your login credentials.

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PittGlobal Study Abroad

Security > User Identification Wizard: Step 1

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Pitt Study Abroad Applications

This website is now solely used for your Pitt Study Abroad application. Looking for more information on study abroad or searching for programs? Visit www.abroad.pitt.edu.

View All

Security : User Identification Wizard: Step 1

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In order to continue, you will need to be logged-in. This wizard will guide you through the steps of authentication.

Please indicate how you will be logging in:

- I have a Pitt username and password.
- I am not a Pitt user but I have login credentials to this site that I received by email.
- I am not a Pitt user and I do not have login credentials to this site.

Submit

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3. Afterwards, fill out the following form. Upon completion, an automated email will request for you to activate and verify the account. Remember to write down your password, as you will use this email and password to log into the account to submit your application and for procedures after admission. “First Name” indicates your given name, whereas “Last Name” indicates your family name.

Security : Login (new user)

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To create an account, please fill in the form provided below.

New User Form:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Email:

Date of Birth: - Month - - Day - - Year -

Gender: Male Female Other

Partner Institution: Aberystwyth University Berlin School of Economics and Law Chinese University of Hong Kong Euromed-Management (Marseille) European Business School GEC

4. Once you have re-entered the application after you have received the email confirmation, you will be asked to choose the terms that you wish to come. Note that exchange students should select either *Spring, ####, Fall, ####* or *Year (Fall & Spring), ####*.
5. Students will then be brought to *The Program Application Page*. Each item is a link with either an online form or instructions.

| Program Application Page (Pre-Decision) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Simulated User | Application Questionnaire(s) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Program: University of Pittsburgh - International Exchange Terms/Year: Spring, 2016 Deadline: 09/25/2015 Dates: TBA | Click the following to view and complete the following online questionnaire(s). You may begin a questionnaire and save it for later completion, but note that you must click Submit in order for the questionnaire to be logged as complete and ready for review. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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6. Fill out the *Admissions Information - Exchange* Questionnaire. This requests information on your status, area of study and English Language requirements. At the end of each questionnaire, you have the option to “Save” or to “Submit.” Questionnaires are not considered complete and cannot be reviewed until you click “Submit” to finalize your responses.
7. Fill out the *Course Request* Questionnaire. This asks about your course *preferences*. Be sure to list ten courses that you may be interested in registering for at Pitt. Include both the course number and title. This does not guarantee the courses, but informs the academic area of your intentions and interests.
8. Fill out the *Incoming Student Passport Information* Questionnaire. You will upload the appropriate passport information.
9. Fill out the *Personal Data* questionnaire. This requests information on your DOB, gender, marital status and emergency contacts.
10. All materials are submitted electronically. You will scan copies of each the required documents as PDF files to be uploaded to the appropriate questionnaire. Under “Material Submissions,” instructions are revealed when the respective link of each item is accessed. A reviewer manually marks materials as “complete.”

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Choice of courses

- Schools & Majors: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/schools>
- Course Information: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/courses>

Full-time Enrollment

Incoming international exchange students must maintain full-time enrollment (at least 12 credit hours). At Pitt, this is typically 4 courses (each at 3 credit hours). Students are not to exceed 18 credit hours. ***Since courses are not guaranteed, it is recommended that students submit at least ten courses while applying to ensure full-time status.***

Registration

Course registration occurs after matriculation. Students will use PeopleSoft to register, working with the exchange program manager, the Director of International Engineering Initiatives (engineering students) or a specified academic advisor from the College of Business Administration (business students). See details: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/registration>

Transcripts

Students will fill out the Transcript Release Form online after admission AND a hardcopy document during Orientation to ensure that two copies of their transcripts are sent to their home institutions. Transcripts ***will not*** be mailed to student residences. Personal electronic or hardcopies may be ordered for a small fee of \$6 - <http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/transcripts.html>.

LIVING INFORMATION

Housing

| | ON-CAMPUS | OFF-CAMPUS |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Pitt Office | Panther Central | Off-Campus Living |
| Address | 3990 Fifth Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15213 | 127 N. Bellefield Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15260 |
| Phone Number | +1 412-648-1100 | +1 412-624-6998 |
| Website | http://www.pc.pitt.edu/housing/ | http://www.ocl.pitt.edu/ |

On-campus housing is NOT guaranteed for exchange students. For those living off-campus, students exchanging for one semester should sublet or find a roommate who may be searching for someone to fill a vacancy as most apartment leases are for a full-year. Additional information maybe found online at: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/housing>

Arrival Support

Students should refer to the following website for travel arrangements to and from the airport: <https://www.internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/transportation>.

Estimated Costs

Costs Estimated for a Full Year at Pitt

| Estimated Costs Based on 2017-18 Year (Divide in half for one semester estimations) | |
|--|---|
| Tuition & Fees | Covered through your home institution payment systems |
| Medical Insurance | \$2,470.00 |
| Books & Supplies | \$2,000.00 |
| Rent/Food/Personal/ Transportation** | \$17,010.00 |
| TOTAL | \$21,480.00 |

**Actual living expenses vary according to lifestyle and living arrangements

Health/Medical Insurance & Immunizations

All students are required to have health insurance coverage during the time of their exchange terms. **All plans, however, must be a U.S.-based plan, purchased through an American company, which meets the minimums required for J-1 visa holders.** International insurance plans will not be accepted.

Specific minimum immunizations are required for all incoming students, with additional requirements for those living on-campus.

See details: <http://internationalexchanges.pitt.edu/health>



OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

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Undergraduate Exchange International Student Financial Information 2020-2021

The Office of International Services (OIS) has prepared this document to inform you of the financial requirement in order to issue your student visa document (Form DS-2019) as an international undergraduate exchange student. Once you have been admitted to your exchange program and accepted your offer of admission, the Study Abroad Office will notify OIS. From there, you will be contacted directly from OIS via email and will need to provide financial documentation via the My OIS online portal. More information on this process will be provided to you *after* we have received your information from the Study Abroad Office. This document is simply to prepare you for what you will need to provide to OIS so that your visa document is issued smoothly and timely. As an exchange student, you will need to provide financial documentation to cover your living expenses and health insurance while in the U.S. You do not need to submit financial documentation to the Study Abroad Office.

Please wait to send financial documentation to OIS until you have been contacted directly from OIS.

Cost of Attendance Figures for 2020-2021

| Program | Tuition | Living Expenses | Health Insurance | TOTAL |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------|
| Exchange Program - 1 Term in U.S. Residence | Paid at home institution | \$6,073 | \$807 | \$6,880 |
| Exchange Program - 2 Terms in U.S. Residence | Paid at home institution | \$13,665 | \$1,816 | \$15,481 |

* From <https://professionals.collegeboard.org/higher-ed/financial-aid/living-expense/2020/12-month> (determined on a monthly basis)

** From <https://www.hr.pitt.edu/students/general-student> (determined on a monthly basis)

Please note: Students and any accompanying dependents must maintain medical insurance coverage at all times during the period of the exchange visit and must meet the J-1 Regulations Minimum Requirements for Health Insurance

Financial Documentation Considerations:

- You will need to provide financial documentation of immediately available liquid assets only for the duration of time you will be in the U.S.
 - Immediately available liquid assets would be considered a bank statement or letter, stocks/bonds available for immediate withdrawal without penalty.
 - Salary information, retirement accounts, real estate or other non-liquid assets such as automobiles, jewelry, or other personal property cannot be used to demonstrate financial support for the first 12 months but may be provided as evidence of support for subsequent years of study.
- All proof of financial support must be original documents in English. We are able to convert your home country's currency into USD. Currency used must be indicated on document.
- Documentation must be issued within the last six months, and the date the document was issued must be clearly indicated.
- Be sure to include additional funds for any dependents who will accompany you to the U.S. Students should add **\$1,768 per term for each dependent** family member (spouse and/or unmarried children under the age of 21) who will accompany them to the U.S. The dependent estimate does not include health insurance. Be sure to include additional funds for any dependents who will accompany you to the U.S. (\$5,304 per dependent. Amount determined by 120% of the Health & Human Services Poverty amount <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines>).
- Students may provide proof of financial support from more than one sponsor. You will be able to submit multiple sources of financial documentation to OIS if needed. Each sponsor will need to submit the Attestation of Financial Support form via My OIS. Each sponsor will need to verify they are sponsoring your education and the amount they plan to provide.
- You do not need to submit financial documentation to the Study Abroad Office. Please wait to send financial documentation to OIS until you have been contacted directly from OIS via email. You will be able to upload original copies of financial documentation through your My OIS account (my.ois.pitt.edu) after we have received your information from your school.
- Evidence of financial support must also be shown to the U.S. Consulate when applying for a visa. OIS accepts scanned copies of financial documentation, but the Consulate will need to see the original version. Please make sure to keep the original copy of what you have scanned and uploaded to OIS for your visa interview.
- Questions concerning financial requirements can be emailed to oisnew@pitt.edu.