

International Centre – International Student Exchange Program

The University of Manitoba is western Canada's first university, established in 1877, and located on original lands of Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. Founded more than 140 years ago, and located in the heart of the country, the University of Manitoba is the region's largest and only research intensive-university offering over 100 academic programs. Visit the [University of Manitoba Story](#) or our [Exchange Page](#) for more information about us.



Exchange Nomination

Nomination Process	The partner university's exchange coordinator is asked to email the nomination spreadsheet to inbound.exchange@umanitoba.ca . Upon confirmation of nomination, the student and the exchange coordinator will receive application information.
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Exchange Application Dates

Note that due to COVID-19, details may change. Courses may be offered online.	Main intake (recommended) Fall 2021 (September - December) and/or Winter 2021 (January -April)	Secondary intake Winter 2022 only (January - April)	Summer term 2022 (Condensed four-week courses offered from May - August)
Nomination deadline	March 15	August 1	March 15*
Exchange application deadline	April 15	September 1	March 31*
Online housing application (Opening date)	April 1: Fall start date May 1: Winter start date	Apply as early as possible	Apply as early as possible

**Early submission is required for students who wish to begin their studies in May.*

Term Dates for 2021-2022

	Fall term – Online Only (September - December)	Winter term (January - April)	Summer term 2021
Orientation date	Online	Early January	N/A
Classes start	Early September	Early January	Beginning of May, June, July or August, depending on course
Classes and exams end	Late December	Late April	End of May, June, July or August, depending on course

Online Application Portal

Application for Exchange Student Admission	Access to the application portal including the application guide will be provided to the student and the exchange coordinator by email after receiving nomination from the partner university's exchange coordinator.
Course information	Course search by term
Official transcripts of courses and grades/results	This document must be in English or an official translated copy. Upload this document as a pdf file.

Level of studies and admission criteria	<p>Undergraduate admission is not competitive in most study areas if students are in good academic standing (defined by their home institution) and meet the language proficiency requirements. The selection of the inbound applicants is at the discretion of relevant Faculty at the University of Manitoba.</p> <p>Graduate-level admission (Master and Ph.D.) is competitive. Students may need to meet additional criteria. Completion of a four-year undergraduate program* is required for graduate admission. A minimum GPA of 3.0 (B or equivalent) in the last two full years of study is also required.</p> <p><i>*Students who completed a three-year undergraduate program are not eligible for our Graduate-level admission. They are eligible to apply for our undergraduate program to take courses at 1000 to 4000 level.</i></p>
Study plan	A five-course study plan is submitted within an online portal.
Personal statement	<p>One- to two-page personal statement of intent, uploaded as a .doc - include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why do you want to come to the University of Manitoba on exchange? • What personal, academic, and professional goals do you hope to achieve on exchange at the University of Manitoba?
Proof of English language proficiency	<p>For many students, proof of English proficiency is required, uploaded as a .pdf file.</p> <p>More details and exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Undergraduate</u> • <u>Graduate</u>
Additional required documents for graduate-level students (Master and PhD)	<p>In Canada, graduate and undergraduate programs are clearly separated. In order to apply for a graduate program at the University of Manitoba, you must submit proof of your undergraduate transcript/record of grades. Upload as a .pdf file.</p> <p>You must also provide a proof of acceptance to your graduate program. This letter should be on official letterhead, confirming your status as a graduate-level student. This letter should include information on the structure and focus of your particular program. It can be written by your exchange coordinator or your supervisor at your home university. Upload as a .pdf file.</p>

Faculties and Courses

<u>Faculties</u> available for exchange study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agricultural and Food Sciences (and Nutrition) • Architecture* • School of Art (Fine Arts) • Arts (Humanities, Social Sciences, etc.) • Engineering* • Environment, Earth, and Resources • Graduate Studies – Graduate students only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kinesiology and Recreation Management • Law (only for students in a Law program) • Music • Science • Social Work <p><i>*Limited availability</i></p>
<u>unavailable</u> Faculties and courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Sciences • Education (Pedagogy). • Honours courses (4000 level) in Psychology and English 	
<u>Our exchange program excludes our business school</u>	I.H. Asper School of Business: Accounting, Finance, Actuarial, Business Admin, Entrepreneurship, Leadership, Human Resources, Marketing, Management Information Systems, Supply Chain Management	

Other Important Information

Other fees	While tuition fees are waived, students will be required to pay student organization fees (approximately \$100-150 per term) and potentially field trip fees. Students can expect to pay \$100-200 per course for books and can sell them back at the end of each term to get a portion of the money back.
Housing	The options for housing are On-Campus Student Residences or Homestay Program . There are several options for residence, from private rooms with meal plans to a shared suite with private rooms without meal plans.
Study permit, visa, E-Travel Authorization	Please contact www.cic.gc.ca or your nearest Canadian Embassy or Consulate to find the most up-to-date information about the documents you will need to travel to Canada and participate in your exchange term(s). University of Manitoba employees are not trained to give an immigration-related advice.
Health insurance	Exchange students are required to purchase travel health insurance from their home country. Choice of insurance is at the discretion of students.
Cannabis legislation	Cannabis is now legal in Canada for individuals 19 years of age or older. Visit the Health and Wellness page for information on the U of M policy and the International Centre's Cannabis and International Travel page .
Info about Winnipeg and Manitoba	www.tourismwinnipeg.com www.winnipeg.ca www.travelmanitoba.com

International Student Program Information

International exchange student orientation	Students will learn about the University of Manitoba and Winnipeg from staff and a panel of local students. They will also enjoy a free dinner and have an opportunity to make new friends from all over the world!
Excursions and special events	The International Centre invites exchange students to come to our social outing event at the beginning of each term. The International Centre organizes several events and activities. Previous years' activities include: hockey game, opera night, football game, ice skating, tours
IC Exchange Buddy Program	We connect new students with an experienced student who will act as a buddy. The buddy contacts students by email or Skype before arrival and meet with students to provide intercultural, personal and academic support.
Intercultural Leaders Program	Open to all students, this dynamic and interactive program runs for eight sessions each fall and winter term. Through a variety of group sessions and workshops, students will enhance cultural awareness and develop intercultural skills. Students will also strengthen leadership, public speaking, conflict resolution, and communication and facilitation skills. Participants will build a stronger sense of self-confidence they can take beyond the classroom to their personal and professional lives.
Language Exchange Program	This program matches volunteers with complementary interests in language and culture. Students meet with their conversation partners every week to practice each other's languages and learn about each other's cultures. The sessions are friendly and informal.



Opportunities For Students

Sports and recreation	Our Active Living Centre is a world-class facility, offering students many options including: recreational sports leagues, climbing wall, swimming pool, hockey, tennis, soccer, water polo, badminton, ultimate frisbee, fitness classes, yoga and much more!
Student groups	There are over 200 student groups representing a diverse range of interests. Popular groups include: Photography, Amnesty International, Choir, Robotics, cultural groups, Swing Dance, Gaming, Gardening, Rainbow Pride Mosaic, Indigenous Students' Association and the Womyn's Centre.
Academic support	Academic Learning Centre Student Accessibility Services Academic Integrity
Travel	Many students take advantage of Winnipeg's central location to travel north to Churchill to see the famous polar bears, west to the Rocky Mountains, east to Toronto or Montreal or even south to the United States. Near and within Winnipeg, students can explore abundant nature, forests, lakes, beaches, rivers and parks.

Contact and Mailing Information

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Student Exchange Program

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