

Saint Mary's University Fact Sheet for Visiting Students from Partner Institutions

Part 1 General Information	
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Contact Person (Incoming Students)	Alida Campbell , Project Manager E Alida.campbell@smu.ca T. +1 902 496 8133 F. 1 902 420 5530 (Responsibilities: support for accepted students in areas of course registration, housing, peer support program, student account, and all other student matters)
Websites of interest	Saint Mary's University ► University homepage ► Quick facts ► Why Saint Mary's? ► Academic programs ► International Halifax ► Life in Halifax
Immigration	All international students will need either an Electronic Traveller Authorization (eTA) or a visitor visa to enter Canada. In addition, students on a two-semester exchange (September-April) will need a Study Permit .
Questions?	Contact Alida or Miyuki at Global Learning and Intercultural Support!

Part 2 Language Requirements and Course of Study at Saint Mary's University				
The primary language of instruction is English , and a good command of English is essential for a successful Study Abroad experience. Each student's English level determines his/her course of study during the exchange program as follows (requirements are subject to change without notice).				
The student's program level at the home institution	If the student's level was...	The student can enrol in...	An English test score is...	For more detail, go to...
Undergraduate	TOEFL iBT 80, IELTS 6.5, or higher	Full-time Undergraduate courses	Not required for admission	Part 3
Undergraduate	TOEFL iBT 61-79 or IELTS 5.5-6.0	University Bridging Program (Intensive English Program plus part-time Undergraduate courses)	Required for admission	Part 4
Undergraduate	TOEFL iBT 60, IELTS 5.0, or lower	Full-time Intensive English Program	Not required for admission	Part 5
Graduate	See the Minimum acceptable IELTS/TOEFL	Full-time Graduate or Undergraduate courses	Required for admission, unless a previous degree was completed totally in English	Part 3

Part 3 For students to take full-time undergraduate or graduate courses			
Academic Dates	•Fall Semester: September-December •Winter Semester: January-April See more details here (updated regularly)		
Application Deadlines	March 12* for both the Fall and the Winter intakes. *Applications past the deadline will be accepted on an individual basis.		
Nomination	The home university coordinator emails alida.campbell@smu.ca the "Student Information Sheet" prior to the submission of applications.		
Application	Email to alida.campbell@smu.ca the following documents: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> For students taking <u>Undergrad</u> courses: -Application for Admission -A Letter of Permission and an official transcript of grades in English from the home university </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> For those taking <u>Undergrad and Graduate</u> courses: -Application Form for Visiting, Upgrading and Reactivation Students [PDF] -A Letter of Permission and an official transcript of grades in English from the home university (enrollment in a graduate program must be indicated) -Proof of English proficiency </td> </tr> </table>	For students taking <u>Undergrad</u> courses: -Application for Admission -A Letter of Permission and an official transcript of grades in English from the home university	For those taking <u>Undergrad and Graduate</u> courses: -Application Form for Visiting, Upgrading and Reactivation Students [PDF] -A Letter of Permission and an official transcript of grades in English from the home university (enrollment in a graduate program must be indicated) -Proof of English proficiency
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Housing	Students apply online via the SMU Banner account for residence on campus after a student number is issued. Apply early—spaces are limited. Students living in Loyola and Vanier are required to have a meal plan. Students living in Rice are not required to have a meal plan as each apartment is equipped with a kitchen, but a voluntary meal plan can be purchased if desired. Students can find their own housing, but assistance will not be provided.		
Orientation	Welcome Week starts one week before Fall semester classes start and at the beginning of Winter semester classes. Participation is highly recommended. See Info for Incoming Int'l Students (updated regularly).		
Student Status and Course Load	The full-time course load is between 3 and 5 courses per semester. For each course, students meet 3h/wk for 13 weeks (36-39 total contact hours).		
Tuition and Fees (Check payment methods.) Credit cards are NOT accepted unless indicated otherwise.	Course tuition fee Tuition varies from \$1633 to \$1780 per course (in 2017-18); however, special agreements allow SMU to welcome students from partner institutions either on a full tuition waiver or on a partial tuition discount. Check with the home institution or with SMU Global Learning Office. Student fees (Mandatory for <u>ALL</u> fee-waiver/fee-discount students) -SMU Students' Association fee: CAD\$152 per academic year (in 2017-18) -U-Pass bus pass: CAD\$155.50 per academic year (in 2017-18) Insurance (Mandatory unless proof of comparable coverage is provided) -Medical/Health Plan: \$940 Sep-Aug (in 2017-18) -Dental Plan: \$98 Sep-Aug (in 2017-18) Residence and meal plan (Meal plan is mandatory for single/double rooms) -Residence application: \$25 Credit card accepted -Single room with meal plan: \$11,302** Sep-Apr (in 2017-18) -Double room with meal plan: \$9977** Sep-Apr (in 2017-18) -Double apartment without meal plan: \$5710** Sep-Apr (in 2017-18) (**A \$500 deposit is required to accept a bed space offer.) Credit card accepted		
Other Expenses	-Textbook estimate: \$180 per course at the SMU Bookstore -Cost of living in Halifax		
Course Registration	Students can start browsing course options without a Banner log-in. Once a student number is issued, students make a timetable then register . Registration starts in mid-March and continues until the first week of classes in each semester. Register early since seats in each course are limited. Registration in courses with pre-requisites first requires permission of a SMU academic advisor.		
Insurance	The SMU Students' Association (SMUSA) enrolls international students in -Int'l Student Basic Health Plan (full-time and part-time) -SMUSA Extended Health Plan (full-time and part-time) -SMUSA Dental Plan (full-time) Students with comparable private coverage may apply to opt out .		

Part 4 For students to take the University Bridging Program (Intensive English Program plus part-time Undergraduate courses)	
Academic Dates	•Fall Semester: End of August-December •Winter Semester: January-April
Application Deadlines	March 12* for both the Fall and the Winter intakes. *Applications past the deadline will be accepted on an individual basis.
Nomination	The home university coordinator emails alida.campbell@smu.ca the "Student Information Sheet" prior to the submission of applications.
Application	Email to alida.campbell@smu.ca the following documents: -Application for Admission -A Letter of Permission and an official transcript of grades in English from the home university -2018 Application Form for the University Bridging Program -English test score
Housing	Students apply online via the SMU Banner account for residence on campus after a student number is issued. Apply early—spaces are limited. Students living in Loyola and Vanier are required to have a meal plan. Students living in Rice are not required to have a meal plan as each apartment is equipped with a kitchen, but a voluntary meal plan can be purchased if desired. Students can find their own housing, but assistance will not be provided.
Orientation	An orientation to Saint Mary's and Halifax is provided by The Language Centre. UBP students are welcome to attend the University's Welcome Week Info for Incoming Int'l Students (updated regularly) as well.
Course Load for UBP students	Contact hours per week: Intensive English instruction (15 hours) plus one undergraduate course (3 hours) or two undergraduate courses (6 hours) depending on the student's English level.
Intensive English Program Tuition and Fees (Check Payment Options.) Credit cards are NOT accepted unless indicated otherwise.	University Bridging Program fee -Intensive English Program for 16 weeks: \$4300* (in 2018) -A textbook and resource fee: \$135 per semester (in 2018) (*A \$500 tuition deposit is due with application) Credit card accepted
Undergraduate Tuition and Fees (Check payment methods.) Credit cards are NOT accepted unless indicated otherwise.	Undergraduate course tuition fee Tuition varies from \$1633 to \$1780 per course (in 2017-18); however, special agreements allow SMU to welcome students from partner institutions either on a full tuition waiver or on a partial tuition discount. Check with the home institution or with SMU Global Learning Office. Student fees (Mandatory for ALL fee-waiver/fee-discount students) -SMU Students' Association fee: CAD\$152 per academic year (in 2017-18) Insurance (Mandatory unless proof of comparable coverage is provided) -Medical/Health Plan: \$940 Sep-Aug (in 2017-18) Residence and meal plan (Meal plan is mandatory for single/double rooms) -Residence application: \$25 Credit card accepted -Single room with meal plan: \$11,302** Sep-Apr (in 2017-18) -Double room with meal plan: \$9977** Sep-Apr (in 2017-18) -Double apartment without meal plan: \$5710** Sep-Apr (in 2017-18) (**A \$500 deposit is required to accept a bed space offer.) Credit card accepted
Other Expenses	-Textbook estimate: \$180 per undergraduate course at the SMU Bookstore -Cost of living in Halifax
Course Registration	Students can start browsing course options without a Banner log-in. Once the student is accepted to UBP, students make a timetable then register in 1 or 2 courses as per the terms of acceptance into UBP. Registration starts in mid-March and continues until the first week of classes in each semester. Register early since seats in each course are limited. Registration in courses with pre-requisites first requires permission of a SMU academic advisor.
Insurance	The SMU Students' Association (SMUSA) enrolls international students in -Int'l Student Basic Health Plan (full-time and part-time) -SMUSA Extended Health Plan (full-time and part-time) Students with comparable private coverage may apply to opt out .

Part 5 For students to take Full-time Intensive English Program	
Academic Dates	Eight-week terms start at the end of August (Fall 1), end of October (Fall 2), beginning of January (Winter 1), and end of February (Winter 2).
Application Deadlines	March 12* for the start of any term in 2018-19. *Applications past the deadline will be accepted on an individual basis.
Nomination	The home university coordinator emails alida.campbell@smu.ca the "Student Information Sheet" prior to the submission of applications.
Application	Email to alida.campbell@smu.ca the following documents: -Application for Admission -A Letter of Permission and an official transcript of grades in English from the home university -2018 Application Form for the Intensive English Program -Homestay Application or Residence Application Fall 2017 Winter 2018 (check with the Global Learning Office to see if Fall 2018/Winter 2019 application is available) -English test score
Housing	Homestay: Homestay placements are made for one 8-week term only. The student wishing to stay on with the same family for a second term must discuss it with the family one month before the first semester ends. The student will be provided with three meals a day. Residence: Placements in residence are made on a 16-week basis. Students living in Loyola and Vanier are required to have a meal plan. Students living in Rice are not required to have a meal plan as each apartment is equipped with a kitchen, but a voluntary meal plan can be purchased if desired. For more detail, visit the TLC Accommodations website .
Orientation	An orientation to Saint Mary's and Halifax is provided by The Language Centre. UBP students are welcome to attend the University's Welcome Week Info for Incoming Int'l Students (updated regularly) as well.
Course Load for UBP students	Contact hours per week: Intensive English instruction (25 hours)
Intensive English Program Tuition and Fees (Check Payment Options .) Credit cards are NOT accepted unless indicated otherwise.	English for Academic Purposes (EAP) or English for Personal and Professional Communication (EPPC) program fee -Intensive English Program for 8 weeks: \$2800* (in 2018) -A textbook and resource fee: \$135 per semester (in 2018) -Emergency Health Insurance Fee: \$45 per month plus \$5 administration fee per term (in 2018) -Homestay (per 8-week term) (Prices are subject to change) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application fee payable to the Language Centre: \$25** • Initial placement fee payable to the Language Centre: \$275 ** • The homestay fee payable to the host family: \$1600 -Residence (per 16-week term in Fall 1&2 and Winter 1&2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application fee payable to the Language Centre: \$25*** • Rice Apartment without meal plan: \$2855*** (in 2018) • Loyola and Vanier with meal plan: \$5678*** (in 2018) (*A \$500 tuition deposit is due with application) Credit card accepted (**The \$25 homestay application fee and a \$275 placement fee are due with application) Credit card accepted (***The \$25 residence application fee and a \$1200 residence deposit are due with application) Credit card accepted
Other Expenses	-Cost of living in Halifax
Insurance	Enrollment in the SMU TLC International Health Plan is mandatory, even if the student has his/her private coverage from the home country. For plan information, please visit the International TLC Health Plan website .