**EXCHANGE AND VISITING PROGRAM** 

# Fact Sheet



#### **EUGENE, OREGON**

- Metro Population: 360,000
- 24,000 students, 3,000 international
- 400 km of bike trails in town
- Portland 1.5 hr drive
- · Pacific Ocean 1.5 hr drive
- · Hiking and climbing: 10 min drive
- · Camping and Skiing: 1 hr drive

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR



FALL 2020 Orientation Sep. 16, 2020

Start Sep. 29, 2020 End Dec. 11, 2020

WINTER 2021 Orientation Dec. 31, 2020

Start Jan. 4, 2021 End Mar. 19, 2021

**SPRING 2021** Orientation Mar. 25, 2021

Start Mar. 29, 2021 End Jun. 11, 2021



#### **ACADEMIC AREAS**

uoregon.edu/academics

#### CATALOG

catalog.uoregon.edu

#### **CAMPUS LIFE**

studentlife.uoregon.edu



#### **ABOUT THE UO**

The University of Oregon is a public research university with proud APRU membership, featuring 19 research centers and institutes. Founded in 1876, the institution's **growing** 295-acre green campus is situated along the Willamette River, within the city of Eugene, Oregon.

The UO is organized into 5 colleges (Arts and Sciences, Business, Design, Education, and Honors) and 7 professional schools (Accounting, Architecture and Environment, Art and Design, Journalism and Communication, Law, Music and Dance, and Planning, Public Policy and Management) and a graduate school. Furthermore, UO offers 316 undergraduate and graduate degree programs. The UO has two additional campuses in Portland and on the coast.

#### uoregon.edu/about

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#### **EXCHANGE and VISITING STUDENT SERVICES**

#### **International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS)**

Your home away from home. Our team of professional advisors and coordinators is here to help all exchange and visiting students every step of the way, during the good times and the bad times. The UO recognizes three categories of exchange students: Exchange Agreement Students (tuition/fees waiver); Visiting Students (fee-paying with/without discounts); and Sponsored Students (supported by a sponsor)

#### isss.uoregon.edu/visiting-students

#### Oregon Experience Program (OEP)

Participating in either the Spring or Summer short-term program **before** the beginning of the exchange or visiting program ensures that you attain confidence with the new academic and social environment, and higher academic skills which will smooth the transition into either the intensive English program or the regular academic program. You can choose between 2- to 4-weeks for a rewarding bridge program regardless of your individual proficiency because of its unique place-based curricula and differentiating instructions that are tailored to all levels.

#### isss.uoregon.edu/experience

#### American English Institute (AEI)

AEI can help you improve your English skills and prepare academically before enrolling at the UO. We would be happy to help you apply to AEI to increase your English proficiency.

aei.uoregon.edu

# Useful links

#### **HEALTH**

#### **INSURANCE**

Enrollment in UO's International Student Health Plan is required. If you have your own health insurance, you can request a waiver of this requirement if your insurance satisfies the minimum requirements.



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#### **REOUIRED VACCINATIONS**

Students are encouraged to satisfy all of their immunization requirements before arriving at the UO. The University Health Center can also administer these vaccines to students once they are enrolled and attending.



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#### HOUSING

#### **RESIDENCE HALLS**

Living on campus is very convenient and you will find we offer you much more than just a place to study, eat and sleep. There are many opportunities to meet new people and get involved. Ideal for 1st and 2nd year students.



housing.uoregon.edu/residence-halls

#### **UNIVERSITY APARTMENTS**

Living in University Apartments allows you to create your own environment while being a part of a close-knit community. Ideal for graduate students or students with families. Visit:



housing.uoregon.edu/apartments

#### **OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING**

Walk, bike, or take the bus for free. There is plenty to choose from. Visit:



offcampushousing.uoregon.edu

#### **HAVE QUESTIONS?**

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#### 2020-21 Exchange & Visiting Student Program

## Oregon Experience Program



The University of Oregon offers an optional short-term program for 2 or 3 weeks during the spring and summer seasons. Called OEP (Oregon Experience Program), this is ideal to get a taste of the Pacific Northwest and get you introduced to life in Eugene and experiencing the traditional university life. This will help you begin your exchange or visiting student program with confidence and with much more solid English skills. We will offer a place-based learning curriculum using the latest technology to explore global topics related to:

- > sustainability and product design
- > business communication NEW
- > emergency preparedness
- > science and other topics
- > second language acquisition (3-week teacher training) NEW

#### The program includes:

- · dedicated faculty and staff, including 2 program directors on-site
- full integration with campus activities and academics
- · all-inclusive homestay program run by the university
- · two meals a day
- · airport pick-up and drop-off
- · public transportation pass
- service learning experience
- full integration with campus activities



All levels of English are welcome: our curriculum will develop the English language skills and cultural knowledge you already have to interact with people and places in our community. We take advantage of modern technologies and very friendly Oregon students and facilities to facilitate learning and enhance the exploration of the local community. This type of learning creates an engaging learning environment, increases motivation, encourages participants to use English outside of the classroom, and engages you to be a multilingual participant in everyday life.

#### Interested? Make your selection on the exchange/visiting student application

#### **Details**

#### Summer 2020

Option 1: August 3 - August 28 Option 2: August 24 - September 18

#### Winter/Spring 2021

February 15 - March 19

Each week is dedicated to a specific topic (module). In summer, each Option has an identical order of topics. This allows for flexibility, allowing participants to pick between a 2- week program within each option. A 4-week program must start at the beginning of each program.

#### Costs

\$ 4,500 USD\* (4-week program)

\$ 2,250 USD\* (2-week program)

\$ 650 all-inclusive homestay

\* discounts available - email us!

#### **EXCHANGE AND VISITING PROGRAM**

# Application Procedures

#### DEADLINES

See below for the date that corresponds to your desired first term at the University of Oregon, Oregon Experience Program (OEP short-term program) and/or at the UO American English Institute (AEI). Please connect with the exchange programs coordinator for any deadline-related issues.

First period of study	Nomination deadline	Application deadlin
Fall 2020	March 1, 2020	May 1, 2020
Winter 2021	August 1, 2020	October 1, 2020
Spring 2021	October 1, 2020	December 1, 2020
Summer 2021	January 1,2021	March 1, 2021

#### DOCUMENTS

To be considered for acceptance to the exchange or visiting student programs, you must provide the items listed below to the mobility or study abroad coordinator at your university or provider by the deadlines listed above. Your acceptance will be delayed if any of these forms are incomplete or if there are any missing documents.

#### **Application form**

Complete the UO Exchange Application at https://tinyurl.com/UOAPP

Be ready to upload the documents listed below in PDF format.

#### Statement of purpose

Write a one-page statement in English indicating why you would like to study at the University of Oregon.

 Graduate students: please be very specific by indicating your field/s of research at your current university, what you hope to learn at the University of Oregon and, specifically, in the department where you hope to be placed in. Indicate specific faculty members you hope to work with and learn from.

#### Transcripts and degree certificates

Provide copies of all university transcripts and, if applicable, any degree certificates that you have earned. If the original document is not in English, please provide both a copy of the original document along with an English translation. All documents must be verified and/or certified by your university or provider. Do not send any high school documentation.

#### Additional departmental requirements

Architecture, Art, Design and Music-related majors have additional requirements such as an electronic portfolio/performance, higher TOEFL scores and more than one recommendation letter. Please inquire with <a href="mailto:exchange@uoregon.edu">exchange@uoregon.edu</a> for details.

- Graduate students: all majors require at least one faculty recommendation letter from faculty. Please inquire for specific details on your major with exchange@uoregon.edu.
- Graduate students: all majors require a curriculum vitae (CV)

#### **English language proficiency**

If your native language is not English, please provide a copy of the official result of a standardized language test to show English language proficiency. The University of Oregon accepts the following English language proficiency documents:

- Official TOEFL, DET or IELTS score reports
- Official TOEFL or IELTS "Examinee Score Report" verified by your university or provider
- Official score report from an institutional TOEFL taken at your university

The University of Oregon maintains the following English language proficiency minimum standards:

	AEI Intensive English	Undergraduate	Graduate
TOEFL iBT	60 or below 60	61	88
TOEFL PBT	499 or below 499	500	575
IELTS	5.5 or below 5.5	6.0	7.0

#### Passport

Provide a copy of your passport bio page. If your passport is expired, please provide a copy of your renewed passport bio page as soon as possible.

#### **Financial documentation**

U.S. immigration policy requires you to show sufficient available financial resources to support yourself while studying at the University of Oregon. You must, therefore, provide financial documents (yours and/or your family's) verifying that you have funds available that meet or exceed the estimated "Costs not covered by the University of Oregon" as indicated in the Financial Information sheet. Accordingly, please complete the Declaration of Finances form.

#### **Course Preference Form**

As soon as you are admitted, you will be able to register for the courses you wish, provided that they are already available. If you are not able to register because of restrictions, let us know what courses these are. To do so, download the Course Preference Form at https://bit.ly/20JoS1u and then upload it to your application.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS

After you have completed the online application, it will be reviewed and, upon approval, an acceptance packet and immigration document will be produced and sent to you and to your mobility or study abroad coordinator via mail and email. Please note that the email communication will not contain the immigration document, per U.S. federal regulations.

This process may take up to two months during busy periods. Do not hesitate to contact exchange@uoregon.edu for any questions or concerns.

#### 2020-21 Exchange Student Program





The following financial information is an estimate. Please note:

- 1) Tuition and fees for the 2020-21 academic year are finalized by the Oregon State Legislature in August 2020;
- 2) Some expenses may be more or less, depending on your lifestyle choices;
- 3) Source: http://registrar.uoregon.edu/costs/tuition-fees (choose the class level and select "non-resident");
- 4) One term is about three months in length.

#### · Costs covered by the program

As soon as you register for classes, your Duckweb account will show that you owe tuition and fees. By the second week of each term, the University of Oregon will have covered specific fees, therefore reducing your bill. The exchange program will not cover any additional credit above 13 per term.

	1 term	2 terms	3 terms
Full-time tuition (maximum 13 credits per term)	\$ 9,919 USD	\$ 19,919 USD	\$ 29,757 USD
Application Fee	\$ 65 USD	\$ 65 USD	\$ 65 USD
Matriculation Fee	\$ 430 USD	\$ 430 USD	\$ 430 USD
International Student Fee	\$ 200 USD	\$ 400 USD	\$ 600 USD
Total	\$ 10,614 USD	\$ 20,814 USD	\$ 30,852 USD

#### . Estimate of costs not covered by the program

Living off campus or purchasing used supplies can save you money. All business courses and some art, architecture, biology, dance, sports and outdoor classes have special fees to pay for lab equipment, special programs, trips, supplies, or studio fees: these costs range between \$20 to \$100 and are not covered by the program.

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UO Health Insurance *	\$ 924 USD	\$ 1,848 USD	\$ 2,772 USD
Room and Board (living on- campus in a double room with standard meal plan) **	\$ 3,971 USD	\$ 7,942 USD	\$ 11,913 USD
Books, supplies, personal and transportation expenses	\$ 1,490 USD	\$ 2,980 USD	\$ 4,470 USD
Mandatory Fee (Student government + Student groups + Recreation Center fee + Health Center fee + Campus maintenance)	\$ 760 USD	\$ 1,520 USD	\$ 2,280 USD
Total	\$ 7.145 USD	\$ 14.290 USD	\$ 21.435 USD

<sup>\*</sup> You can waive the university insurance if you have one that satisfies the minimum requirements. See the details at https://health.uoregon.edu/insurancewaivers

<sup>\*\*</sup> Early check-in into the University's Residence Halls is available but not mandatory. Should you decide to check-in to your on-campus residence before orientation begins, additional fees per day will be assessed. Refer to your housing contract for details.

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### Insurance Waiver Criteria

The University of Oregon requires that all international students have health insurance to help cover unexpected medical expenses that may arise. All international students are automatically enrolled in and billed for the UO Student Health Benefits Plan. International students with existing insurance which meets or exceeds the university's standards may request a waiver.

Helping students stay healthy is our top priority, knowing that wellness contributes to academic and personal success. In addition to our board-certified primary care team, our staff includes a variety of specialties encompassing mental health, various therapies, and health promotion. Our mission is to provide exceptional culturally competent health services and public health leadership that enhances personal success and optimizes health and wellness for a diverse campus community.

#### **Waiver Criteria**

To be approved for an insurance waiver, you must provide proof of health coverage which meets the following criteria:

- Coverage must begin on or before the first day of the academic term in which you are enrolled and extend through the entire term, including any UO approved vacation or medical leave terms
- No maximum benefit for coverage (there can be no cap on the amount of coverage)
- Deductible of \$500 or less per accident or illness per year
- Medical evacuation coverage of at least \$50,000
- Repatriation coverage of at least \$25,000
- No exclusions, including: pre-existing conditions, accidents, hospitalizations, ER visits, pharmacy benefits, pregnancy care, etc.
- · Co-insurance of 20% or less
- The plan must be a federally certified, US-based plan (or university approved plan), compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and provide coverage for all services included in the Oregon Benchmark Plan.
- Foreign travel medical insurance plans will not be accepted.

If your health insurance plan fails to meet each of these requirements, you will be denied an insurance waiver and will remain enrolled in the UO Health Plan.

#### **UO Insurance Highlights**

- Platinum-level medical and prescription drug coverage for services at the University Health Center and with our local partners.
- Compliant with the Affordable Care Act—federally certified as Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC).
- Coverage anywhere: Your benefits tag along wherever you go, offering 24/7 emergency medical care and assistance anywhere in the world (excluding your home country).
- Coverage throughout the year—at school, at home, while traveling—our extensive network of providers keeps you covered as long as you are enrolled in the UO Student Health Benefits Plan.
- Affordability: low cost of coverage, co-pays and deductibles with caps on annual out-of-pocket costs help eliminate the stress of finding great coverage.
- Mobile apps to keep you connected and healthy on the move.

Details and updates can be found at: https://health.uoregon.edu/international-student-plan