



# Study Abroad

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

International Programs for Students

## USC Factsheet

<b>Address</b>	Study Abroad Office Legare College 321 University of South Carolina Columbia, SC 29208 U.S.A.
<b>University Website</b>	<a href="http://www.sc.edu/">http://www.sc.edu/</a>
<b>Contact information for exchange activities, including phone number and fax</b>	Tel: (803) 777-7557 Fax: (803) 777-7559
<b>Academic calendar (semesters or terms)</b>	Fall Semester: mid August to mid December Spring Semester: early January to early May  For detailed dates please visit: <a href="http://registrar.sc.edu/html/calendar5yr/5YrCalendar2.stm">http://registrar.sc.edu/html/calendar5yr/5YrCalendar2.stm</a>
<b>Exam dates</b>	Generally, second week of December and first or second week of May.  For detailed dates please visit: <a href="http://registrar.sc.edu/html/Calendar/">http://registrar.sc.edu/html/Calendar/</a>
<b>Holiday dates</b>	For detailed calendar dates please visit: <a href="http://registrar.sc.edu/html/calendar5yr/5YrCalendar2.stm">http://registrar.sc.edu/html/calendar5yr/5YrCalendar2.stm</a>
<b>Deadlines for the nomination of exchange students for each term</b>	March 1 <sup>st</sup> – Fall Semester or Academic Year October 1 <sup>st</sup> – Spring Semester
<b>Deadlines for receipt of application forms</b>	April 1 <sup>st</sup> – Fall Semester or Academic Year November 1 <sup>st</sup> – Spring Semester
<b>Initial application forms needed</b>  * All initial application fees are waived for exchange students. Waived fees include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$10 application fee for non-degree students</li> <li>• \$40 international admission fee</li> <li>• \$500 international student enrollment fee</li> <li>• \$25 housing application fee</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Special Application for Non-Degree Students</li> <li>2) TOEFL official scores <i>**please have scores sent to USC using code – 5818 when taking the exam, as well as an unofficial copy to our office</i> 550 on the paper based exam, 77 on the internet based TOEFL, or 210 on the computer based TOEFL, is required (if applicable)</li> <li>3) Immigration document application - <a href="http://www.sa.sc.edu/iss/docs/Application.pdf">http://www.sa.sc.edu/iss/docs/Application.pdf</a></li> <li>4) Photocopy of official transcripts</li> <li>5) Financial certification - <a href="http://www.sa.sc.edu/iss/docs/financials.pdf">http://www.sa.sc.edu/iss/docs/financials.pdf</a></li> </ol> Exchange students must certify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$5,417 US per semester (4 months)**</li> <li>\$12,189 US per academic year (9 months)**</li> </ul> for living expenses (housing, food, books, health insurance, miscellaneous) while at USC. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6) Photocopy of passport</li> </ol> <b>Please mail/e-mail completed forms to the Study Abroad Office, not Admissions.</b>

<b>Application forms needed after acceptance</b>	1) Immunization form (Students cannot register for courses until this form is on file with USC's Health Center) 2) Course preferences and housing form 3) Arrival assistance request online (optional)
<b>Courses of study which are open to exchange students</b>  *Courses available during the fall semester (August-December) will be posted in mid-March. Courses available during the spring semester (January-May) will be posted in mid-November.	Students may enroll in any course for which they meet the prerequisite. Courses are offered on a per semester basis only.  For detailed undergraduate course information please visit: <a href="http://www.sc.edu/bulletin/ugrad/">http://www.sc.edu/bulletin/ugrad/</a>  For course availability each semester please visit: <a href="http://registrar.sc.edu/html/Course_Listings/">http://registrar.sc.edu/html/Course_Listings/</a>
<b>Type of accommodation offered</b>	Exchange students usually stay in South Quad, Carolina Global Community, West Quad or Woodrow, on-campus university operated apartments. Housing is guaranteed but preference is given on a first come, first serve basis.  For more information on South Quad, West Quad & Woodrow please visit: <a href="http://www.housing.sc.edu/virtualtour/apartment_style_index.html">http://www.housing.sc.edu/virtualtour/apartment_style_index.html</a>  For more information on Carolina's Global Community please visit: <a href="http://www.housing.sc.edu/pdf/apps/mark_cg.c.pdf">http://www.housing.sc.edu/pdf/apps/mark_cg.c.pdf</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exchange students are <b>not</b> required to pay the \$100 housing deposit.</li> <li>- Students should inform the Study Abroad Office of their housing preferences as early as possible in order to help guarantee housing at these locations.</li> </ul>
<b>Contact for accommodation, including phone number, fax and e-mail</b>	Study Abroad Office: Phone: (803) 777-7557 Fax: (803) 777-7559
<b>Meal plans</b>  <b>Student Card</b>	USC offers several meal plan options at a variety of on-campus dining locations. Students who do not wish to purchase a standard meal plan may use their CarolinaCard to purchase individual meals at Campus dining facilities. For meal plan options visit: <a href="http://www.sc.edu/dining/plans.html">http://www.sc.edu/dining/plans.html</a>  All new students will be issued a USC student card, called the "Carolina-Card". This card serves as a student ID and library card, and allows access to a variety of on campus services such as dining, photocopying, health services, bookstore, etc.
<b>Introductory Orientation</b>	1 week For detailed dates of arrival please visit: <a href="http://www.sa.sc.edu/iss/arrival.shtm">http://www.sa.sc.edu/iss/arrival.shtm</a>
<b>Medical Insurance</b>	Compulsory medical insurance may be applied for prior to or upon arrival on campus. Fees are <u>approximately</u> \$400 US per fall semester and \$550 per spring/summer semester. If a student can provide proof of requisite health insurance coverage, this fee may be waived. For USC's health insurance requirements please visit: <a href="https://www.pearceandpearce.com/PearceSite/Schools/SC/USC/default.asp?Show=BOR&amp;MenuNum=3">https://www.pearceandpearce.com/PearceSite/Schools/SC/USC/default.asp?Show=BOR&amp;MenuNum=3</a>