

International Student Exchange Program

The University of Manitoba is founded more than 140 years ago, and located on original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We are the region's largest and only research intensive-university offering over 100 academic programs, including professional disciplines like medicine, law and engineering. Visit the [University of Manitoba Story](#) or [Inbound Exchange website](#) for more information about our programs.

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Exchange Nomination Information

Nomination	The partner university's exchange coordinator will receive the nomination form in December and is asked to return the complete nomination form to inbound.exchange@umanitoba.ca . Upon confirmation of nomination, the student and the exchange coordinator will receive application information.
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Exchange Nomination and Application Dates

	Main intake (recommended) Fall 2022 (September - December) and/or Winter 2023 (January -April)	Secondary intake Winter 2023 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 highly recommended for students who wish to begin their studies in May.

Term dates for 2022-2023 (exact dates are not yet determined)

	Fall term (September - December)	Winter term (January - April)	Summer term 2022 (Condensed four-week courses offered from May - August)
Orientation date	Early September	Early January	N/A
Classes start	Early September	Early – Mid. January	Beginning of May, June, July or August, depending on course
Classes and exams end	Mid. - Late December	Mid. – Late April	End of May, June, July or August, depending on course

Within the online application portal

Application for exchange student admission	Access to our online 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
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/office 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>*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 (highest).</p>
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. Description of grading must also be included.
Study plan	A five-course study plan is submitted within the 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>See links below for details and exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergraduate • Graduate
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

Faculties available for exchange students	<p>Agricultural and Food Sciences (includes Nutrition)</p> <p>Architecture*</p> <p>School of Art (Fine Arts)</p> <p>Arts (Humanities, Social Sciences, etc.)</p> <p>Engineering*</p> <p>Environment, Earth, and Resources</p> <p>Graduate Studies – for Graduate applicants only</p> <p>Kinesiology and Recreation Management</p> <p>Law</p> <p>Music</p> <p>Science</p> <p>Social Work*</p> <p><i>*Limited</i></p>
Faculties unavailable to exchange students	<p>Health Sciences</p> <p>Education</p>
Courses unavailable to exchange students	<p>Honours courses in Psychology and English</p>
Our exchange program does <u>not</u> include our business school	<p>I.H. Asper School of Business: Accounting and Finance, Actuarial, Business Administration, Entrepreneurship, Leadership, Human Resources, Marketing, Management Information Systems, Supply Chain Management</p>

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 and lab fees, if applicable. 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 Government of Canada Immigration and Citizenship website 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.
Health and Wellness	Student's health and mental well-being are very important. Visit our Health and Wellness page for all resources and supports available for all students including exchange 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 University of Manitoba policy.
Accessibility Services	Please visit the accessibility website for resources and support available for students with disabilities.
Information 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	Exchange Program Office invites all exchange students to come to our social outing event at the beginning of each term. Also, the International Centre organizes several events and activities. Previous years' activities include: hockey game, opera night, football game, ice skating, tours and more.
IC Exchange Buddy Program	We connect inbound exchange students with our UofM students who returned from their exchange abroad who will act as a buddy. Buddy contacts students by email or Skype/Zoom before arrival and meet with students to provide intercultural, personal and academic support.

<u>Intercultural Leaders Program</u>	<p>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.</p>
<u>Language Exchange Program</u>	<p>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.</p>

Other opportunities for students

Sports and recreation	<p>Our new 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, quidditch, badminton, ultimate frisbee, fitness classes, yoga and much more!</p>
Student groups	<p>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.</p>
Academic support	<p><u>Academic Learning Centre</u> <u>Student Accessibility Services</u> <u>Academic Integrity</u></p>
Travel	<p>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.</p>

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