

# Oklahoma State University



## GENERAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

### RECIPROCAL EXCHANGE 2025 - 2026

OSU Information	Approximately 30,000 total on all campuses; 24,649 in Stillwater (main campus) from 100+ countries & all 50 states. Tobacco use and smoking is prohibited in or on university property. Fast Facts: <a href="https://go.okstate.edu/about-osu/fast-facts/index.html">https://go.okstate.edu/about-osu/fast-facts/index.html</a>
Nearest airport	Stillwater, Oklahoma ( <b>SWO is the airport code</b> )
Do you offer airport pick up? If yes, how much is it?	<b>Fly to Stillwater</b> for free student pickup and delivery from the airport to Global Scholars Residence Hall. <b>Arriving at other regional airports require use of a taxi, Uber, shuttle for significant costs to student.</b>
Inbound students: <i>Mary Daniels</i> <i>Student Exchange</i> <i>Coordinator</i>	<b>Mary Daniels</b>  Email: <a href="mailto:inboundexchange@okstate.edu">inboundexchange@okstate.edu</a>
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## IMPORTANT DATES

	<b>Semester 1 (Fall 2025) <i>TENTATIVE</i></b>	<b>Semester 2 (Spring 2026) <i>TENTATIVE</i></b>
Classes begin	August 18, 2025	January 12, 2026
Classes end	December 5, 2025	April 24, 2026
Exam periods	December 8-12, 2025	April 27- May 1, 2026
Orientation date	August 14 <sup>th</sup> or 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 (Tentative)	January 8 <sup>th</sup> or 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2026 (Tentative)
Orientations mandatory?	<b>Yes:</b> <b>- Study Abroad Orientation (<i>in-person</i>)</b>	<b>Yes:</b> <b>- Study Abroad Orientation (<i>in-person</i>)</b> Yes, unless student attended during first semester
Fines for not attending?	<b>YES (\$100 for missed orientation)</b>	<b>YES (\$100 for missed orientation)</b>
Vacation periods	Thanksgiving Break: Nov 25-29, 2025	Spring break: March 10-14, 2026
Arrival Date <b>NO EXCEPTIONS</b>	<b>Before Orientation.</b> Arrive between August 11 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	<b>Before Orientation.</b> Arrive no earlier than January 5 <sup>th</sup> or 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2026

# A P P L I C A T I O N   I N F O R M A T I O N

Application Deadline	Fall Semester – <b>May 15<sup>th</sup></b> Spring Semester – <b>October 15<sup>th</sup></b>
Application materials available online?	<p><b>Once a student has been nominated, an on-line application will be created for student, and they will receive further instructions on how to complete their on-line application.</b></p> <p><b><u>- Students ARE NOT to create an application on their own! -</u></b></p>
Materials to submit online through online application system:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Application form</li> <li>2. Language evaluation or TOEFL score</li> <li>3. Official Transcript of Grades</li> <li>4. Copy of Passport</li> <li>5. Financial Guarantee</li> <li>6. Bank Statement</li> </ol> <p><b>Emailed documents will not be accepted.</b> Application documents received after the deadline date will NOT be processed.</p>
Materials to submit upon arrival:	Updated Paper Copy of Official Transcript must be submitted upon student arrival and should include most recent courses.
Language requirements	<p><b>ALL</b> courses are taught in English (except for language courses)</p> <p><b>Undergraduate exchange students</b> who wish to take only undergraduate-level courses are not required to submit a TOEFL score if they have a letter from their coordinator or from an English language instructor verifying their level of English language fluency is adequate to successfully complete courses in English.</p> <p><b>Undergraduate students</b> who wish to take one or more graduate courses <b>MUST</b> submit a TOEFL or IELTS score. The score should be at least:</p> <p>Official TOEFL Examination – Internet-based (IBT) score of 61 or higher OR Paper-based (IPT) score of 500 or higher OR Official IELTS Examination, Score ≥ 6.0.</p> <p>Note: some departments (e.g. English, Communications, Marketing) have higher minimum TOEFL requirements for graduate students.</p> <p><b>Graduate students</b> <b>MUST</b> submit a TOEFL or IELTS score during the application process. The score should be at least:</p> <p>Official TOEFL Examination (IBT) of 79 or higher OR Paper-based (IPT) score of 550 or higher OR Official IELTS Examination, Score ≥ 6.5</p> <p><b>These examinations must have been taken within two years of the date of application.</b></p>

## H O U S I N G

**ALL unmarried exchange students under the age of 25 live on campus** in the **“Global Scholars House Living Learning Community**, located in the center of campus in IBA Hall. The **Global Scholars HOUSE (GSH)** includes both U.S. domestic students and international exchange students to provide an opportunity for stronger community involvement and easy friendships while in Stillwater. Rooms are double occupancy (same gender) & are fully furnished. The floors are co-ed, with single gender community bathrooms. There is a common kitchen, lounges, and FREE on-site laundry facilities. To see video on **GSH**, click [https://ostate.tv/media/1\\_l0ihpyfw](https://ostate.tv/media/1_l0ihpyfw)

There is a dedicated Coordinator (current graduate student) from our office who lives in IBA with the Exchange Students who facilitates students connecting with OSU and U.S. students, helping them to succeed and make the most of their abroad experience while studying at OSU.

Distance from housing to the university?	<b>GSH</b> is centrally located on campus within a walking distance of 5-7 minutes to most classroom buildings. It is also next to the University Health Services Clinic and next to the Colvin Recreational Center.
Are meals included in housing?	No, but students have the option of purchasing a meal plan if desired
Application deadline for housing	<i>Students have a guaranteed room &amp; once you have been admitted to OSU, you must abide by any withdrawal deadline for housing, even if you have not completed a ResLife Housing application!</i>  <b>*Students must be admitted and have their OSU email account activated. They must apply on-line on their own after instructed.</b>
Cost	Student Housing is charged to student's OSU finance account once the semester has begun. <b>Global Scholars House</b> (IBA) Hall is one of the most affordable residency halls! Please see: <a href="https://reslife.okstate.edu/housing/rates">https://reslife.okstate.edu/housing/rates</a>

## E S T I M A T E D E X P E N S E S

Financial Guarantee	The U.S. Department of Homeland Security requires that the J-1 international students have at least <b>\$10,740 - \$10,770</b> for one semester (Fall OR Spring) and <b>\$21,480 - \$21,540</b> for the academic year (Fall AND Spring). More information is available on the Financial Guarantee form.	
	<b>One semester (Fall 2025 OR Spring 2026)</b>	<b>Two semesters (Fall 2025 AND Spring 2026)</b>
	Intl. Student Fees	\$120 - \$150
	Room and Board	\$5,890
	Books and Supplies	\$700
	Personal Expenses	\$2,860
	Health Insurance	\$1,170
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,740 - \$10,770</b>
		<b>\$240 - \$300</b>
		<b>\$11,780</b>
		<b>\$1,400</b>
		<b>\$5,720</b>
		<b>\$2,340</b>
		<b>\$21,480 - \$21,540</b>

## H E A L T H I N F O R M A T I O N

Mandatory Health Insurance	<b>OSU requires all incoming international students to purchase an OSU Health Insurance policy, whether or not they have insurance already. Comparable health insurance and waivers are NOT allowed.</b>  The cost will be billed to your OSU Bursar account upon arrival & you will get your insurance card after the final add/drop period of the semester. Summer coverage is not included since outside of the exchange period. Costs are subject to change More details will be provided after acceptance to OSU
Healthcare facilities available at OSU?	OSU offers a comprehensive healthcare clinic on campus that includes an Allergy Clinic, Laboratory Services, X-Rays, Outpatient Medical Services, a Women's Clinic, Pharmacy, Immunizations, and more. More information available here: <a href="http://uhs.okstate.edu">http://uhs.okstate.edu</a>

# C O U R S E I N F O R M A T I O N

<b>Courses NOT available to Exchange Students</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NOT Available:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accounting (except for introductory course, ACCT 2103 Financial Accounting)</li> <li>○ Computer Science (MSIS – Management Science &amp; Info Systems <b>are</b> available)</li> <li>○ Some master’s level courses</li> <li>○ Mechanical &amp; Aerospace Engineering</li> <li>○ School of Veterinary Medicine courses</li> <li>○ Agricultural Communications</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>LIMITED Availability:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Architecture (very selective! Students must submit a portfolio of their work and a complete transcript translated into English with course descriptions; TOEFL is preferred for Architecture exchange students rather than just English Language Evaluation)</li> <li>○ Studio Art</li> <li>○ Communications (Mass Communications, Multimedia Journalism, and Strategic Communications)</li> <li>○ Design, Housing &amp; Merchandising studio courses (must submit a portfolio in advance)</li> <li>○ Education</li> <li>○ Engineering (very limited except civil and industrial engineering)</li> <li>○ Finance</li> <li>○ Music (except for Intro to Music and non-audition ensembles, such as University Singers choir)</li> <li>○ Theatre (transcripts needed in advance to determine equivalencies)</li> <li>○ Graduate programs. Our departments will have to approve after nomination. <i>In addition, please be aware that the English graduate program is highly selective and requires faculty approval before placement at OSU or acceptance into any graduate level English course.</i></li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>ONLINE Courses -</b>            Online courses and faculty-led travel courses have additional fees not covered in the tuition/fees exchange agreement. Exchange students may take online courses but they are responsible for paying any additional fees. J-1 visa regulations permit exchange students to take a maximum of <b>ONE</b> online course per semester         </li>   <li>• <b>OSU TULSA Campus -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Some courses are offered on the <b>Tulsa</b> campus, which is an hour away with limited transportation options. Students who need a course held on the Tulsa campus should contact our office for approval</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Academic Calendar	<a href="http://registrar.okstate.edu/Academic-Calendar">http://registrar.okstate.edu/Academic-Calendar</a>
Preparatory language program	For more details, dates, and costs please go to this link: <a href="#">ELIC</a> for The English Language & Intercultural Center (ELIC)
Link to course catalog and schedule	Course Catalog: <a href="http://registrar.okstate.edu/Course-Descriptions">http://registrar.okstate.edu/Course-Descriptions</a>  This is the complete course list, but not all courses are offered every semester. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Courses with a 5--- level designation are Graduate level courses and are generally unavailable to exchange students. Courses with a 6--- level are PhD level courses and not available to exchange students.</u></b></li> <li>• Students should only pick courses which are located on the STILLWATER campus</li> </ul> Courses offered during specific semester can be found here: <a href="https://registrar.okstate.edu/class_schedule_short_courses/">https://registrar.okstate.edu/class_schedule_short_courses/</a> Click on “Class Schedule” and select appropriate term. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detailed instructions are provided through online application system after acceptance</li> </ul>
Minimum course load	Undergraduate: 12 credit hours Graduate: 9 credit hours

