STUDY ABROAD STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

General Information	Center for Global Exploration Staff
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Academic Calendar

Fall 2025 semester (August to December)	Arrival Dates	August 19 (between 9:00am and 4:00pm EST)
	Mandatory Orientation	August 20 and August 21
	Mandatory Week of Welcome	August 22 through August 24
	First day of classes	August 25
	Last day of exams & departure	December 12
Spring 2026 semester (January to May)	Arrival Dates	January 7 (between 9:00am and 4:00pm EST)
	Mandatory Orientation	January 8 and January 9 (mandatory for all new students)
	First day of classes	January 12
	Last day of exams & departure	May 8
All other important semester dates		*https://www.bw.edu/assets/registration-records/2025-26-academic-calendar.pdf*

Academic Information

Academic Requirements	Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA or equivalent *Note: all full-year exchange students must obtain a 2.0 GPA for their first semester at BW. Should they fall below a 2.0, they will be dismissed from the program and unable to return for the second semester.*
Language Requirements	Non-native English speakers are required to have attained an English proficiency level of TOEFL 79 (internet-based), IELTS 6.5 or above, or Duolingo score of 105 or higher.
Age Requirement	The student must be 18 years old or older at the start of the semester.
Full-time Academic Study	Minimum 12 credit hours – in order to remain in status with immigration (approx. 4 courses) Maximum 18 credit hours – based on tuition and exchange agreement (approx. 6 courses)
Transcripts	Due to privacy laws in the US, CGE Staff cannot request transcripts. Students are responsible for requesting their transcripts from BW through Parchment at https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/33495/institution.
Course Schedule Preference (see application)	Students are expected to select BW classes that fulfil requirements as established by their home institution degree or program plan. A copy of the home institution degree or program plan must be submitted along with syllabi or course descriptions to prove a student has met the pre-requisite knowledge needed for selected classes. Students will meet with their academic advisor before arriving to build and review their schedules.

Nomination and Application Process

Fall Semester	Nominations – by Home Institution	By April 1
	Students complete exchange student application	By April 30
Spring Semester	Nominations – by Home Institution	By September 15
	Students complete exchange student application	By October 15
Application Process	• Home university must submit nominations to: esiffert@bw.edu	

	• Once nominated, students should complete the online application and pay the $75.00 Student Services Fee. • Link to Application: https://bw.studioabroad.com/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgramAngular&id=43925
Supporting Documents	• Complete international student exchange undergraduate application • Complete course schedule preference form • Submit an original copy of the official transcript in English • Submit copy of signed passport • Provide evidence of the student's financial standing in English, e.g. certified bank statements and savings accounts, scholarship letters, etc. *If someone other than the student is paying (i.e. a parent), a letter of support must be included. **Below is more information on the required proof of funding students need to provide.** • Provide English language proficiency proof (TOEFL or IELTS), for non-native English speakers
Student Visa Application	• Upon receiving a BW acceptance letter and I-20 form. Students must follow steps on https://www.fmjfee.com/ • Apply for and obtain their F-1 visa permit *Note: All exchange students must apply and obtain an F-1 visa permit to study in the United States.*

Accommodation and Facilities

University Housing

- All exchange students are required to live on campus.
- Standard rooms are doubles, meaning students will live with a roommate
  - Single rooms – with no roommate – are available, but very limited and cost an additional fee
- Students must complete housing application after acceptance to BW on bw.erezlife.com.
- Included in all individual rooms: Bed, Desk, Dresser, and Rented Linens*
  - *BW will purchase bedding for students prior to their arrival and will be charged via their BW student account.*
- Included in common area: Kitchenettes, public study spaces

Meal Plan

- Exchange Students will be enrolled in the Prime Plan:
  - A set number of meals per week (21) and depending on the structure of the agreement:
    - A set amount of flex dollars to be used on campus
  - This can be adjusted during the 1st two weeks on campus depending on the student's needs.

Note: During breaks such as winter break, spring break and other holiday weekends where the university is closed, students will need to pay a fee to remain on-campus and meals plan options may be reduced. Students are responsible for paying for the additional fees and meals during this time.

Funding, Insurance and Miscellaneous Fees

Proof of Financial Ability	Students are required to show the minimum amount below to be accepted to BW and issued a Form I-20. As a tuition, room and board exchange, students will need to pay for books, health insurance, and miscellaneous fees.
Health Insurance Requirements	Baldwin Wallace University **requires** all international students to enroll and purchase health insurance through CISI. Health insurance information will be included on the student's application portal and at orientation. **The Center for Global Exploration will enroll students into the health insurance and the cost will be billed to their BW account.** The cost of the insurance is approximately $114 per month.
Miscellaneous Fees	• Some classes have additional fees (such as music, art, and science classes, etc.) • Students are required to pay a **$75.00 Student Services Fee to** support orientation events, and programming that will occur throughout the semester. • For conservatory students, there is additional tuition fee not covered in exchange agreement. • Additional fees will vary based on exchange agreement.
Total Proof of Funds Required	Please refer to the table provided on the following pages. *Funding requirements are based on the 2025-2026 Baldwin Wallace tuition and fees and are subject to change.*

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2025-2026 Exchange Program Fees Per Program Agreement

Fees are subject to change due to increase costs in tuition, fees, insurance, etc.

	Semester	Full Year
Tuition	$20,193	$40,386
Room & Board	$7,197	$14,394
Just Room	$3,520	$7,040
Just Meals	$3,677	$7,354

American Business School

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

AUI Morocco

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	No Charge	*Reduced Prime*	*Tuition, Room and Meal*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	N/A	N/A	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$1,410
Academic Year	N/A	N/A	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$2,819

Christ College

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

Ewha University

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

Edge Hill University

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

Hong Kong Baptist University

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

Kansai Gaidai University

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	No Charge	*Reduced Prime*	*Tuition, Room and Meal*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	N/A	N/A	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$1,410
Academic Year	N/A	N/A	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$2,819

MICEFA, France

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

Osnabrueck, Germany

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

Umea University, Sweden

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

USC, Australia

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

University of Cape Coast, Ghana

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	No Charge	*Reduced Prime*	*Tuition, Room and Meal*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	N/A	N/A	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$1,410
Academic Year	N/A	N/A	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$2,819

University College Dublin

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

York State John, England

	Room Charge	Board Charge	Type of Exchange	Insurance	Living Expenses	Books	Total:

	No Charge	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition and Room*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	N/A	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$5,087
Academic Year	N/A	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$10,173

Universidad de Alcala-Franklin							
	Room Charge	**Board Charge**	**Type of Exchange**	**Insurance**	**Living Expenses**	**Books**	**Total:**
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
Academic Year	$7,040	$7,354	N/A	$1,319	$1,000	$500	$17,213

Sheffield Hallam							
	Room Charge	**Board Charge**	**Type of Exchange**	**Insurance**	**Living Expenses**	**Books**	**Total:**
	Full Cost	*Prime Plan*	*Tuition Only*	*Required*	*Estimated*	*Estimated*	
Semester	$3,520	$3,677	N/A	$660	$500	$250	$8,607
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