Fact Sheet for Incoming Exchange Students – Spring 2025

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| Primary Contact for Exchange Students and Website: | Mr. Allyn Nobles, Associate Director & Incoming Exchange Coordinator Email: nobles@usfca.edu Telephone: 001-415-422-2843 Study at USF: http://tinyurl.com/mrycswza |
| Requirements | Minimum overall GPA of 3.0 (out of a 4.0 scale) Good academic and disciplinary standing Provide one of the following minimum test scores as required for students whose native language is not English: TOEFL: 80 iBT (Internet-Based Test) with no sub-score below 18 IELTS: 6.5 Overall Band Score with no individual band score below 6.0 Duolingo: Minimum score 125 Please note: |
| Nomination and Application Deadline | Exchange students must first be nominated by the home institution: https://form.jotform.com/USFnobles/jeep-nomination-form After nomination is received, exchange student nominee will receive the "Jesuit Education Exchange Program (JEEP)" application link and instructions. Please DO NOT apply through the USF Admissions website! Early nominations are strongly recommended to will allow more time for the student applicant to submit his/her exchange application by the priority deadline. Spring 2025 application deadline will be Friday, October 11, 2024* *Late application submissions may be permitted upon request. |
| Academic Calendar | http://myusf.usfca.edu/onestop/registration/academic-calendar 1st Semester: Aug-Dec (Fall Semester); 2nd Semester: Jan-May (Spring Semester) |
| Language of Instruction | All courses are taught in English except for foreign language classes. |
| Courses | Exchange students can only enroll in <u>undergraduate courses</u> offered in the College of Arts & Sciences and the School of Management. <u>NOTE: Dual-Degree Teacher Program and other special programs are NOT offered to exchange students.</u> Most USF courses are offered at 4 credits each and most exchange students enroll in 3 to 4 courses (12 - 16 credits) per semester. Exchange students cannot exceed 18 credits nor register less than 12 credits per semester and must maintain full-time status. Spring 2025 courses will be available late October or early November: http://myusf.usfca.edu/onestop/registration/class-schedule-final-exams For course catalog information: http://www.usfca.edu/catalog/ IMPORTANT ADVICE: USF does not reserve nor guarantee courses for exchange students. It is advised to have flexibility to enroll in alternative courses as USF courses are never guaranteed due to unmet prerequisites, over-capacity, time conflicts and class cancellations. Courses in Advertising, Architecture, Business, Computer Science, Kinesiology, and Psychology are increasingly impacted and become unavailable to exchange students. Exchange students will be assigned a USF Academic Success Coach who will assist with class registration and all academic issues throughout their time at USF. |

USF Student Housing and Accommodations

On-Campus housing descriptions and application information can be found here: https://myusf.usfca.edu/housing. Exchange students cannot begin the USFrooms online housing application until they have been assigned their USF ID and username. Housing assignments are based on availability and some resident halls are reserved for specific USF student populations such as first year students, sophomore students, and graduate students only.

Important Notice: For the Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 semesters, due to current building renovation of the Pacific Wing Residence hall, exchange students have been reassigned to live in the Toler Residence hall and requires a meal plan which costs \$2,915 USD.

For housing costs: https://myusf.usfca.edu/billing-tuition/room-board-rates

Exchange students who need housing accommodations are advised to indicate the need for a disability related accommodation by answering the question on the housing application. Exchange students must contact USF's Student Disability Services to complete the intake and eligibility process to request a housing accommodation; answering the housing application question will not initiate the process. To learn more about the types of housing accommodations please visit: https://myusf.usfca.edu/housing/residents/accommodations

PLEASE NOTE: Exchange students can choose find independent off-campus housing instead of USF student housing. To learn more about off-campus housing: https://myusf.usfca.edu/off-campus-housing

USF housing contract cancellation policy: https://myusf.usfca.edu/studentlife/housing/cancellation-policy

Health Insurance

Exchange students will be automatically charged the USF Student Insurance upon registering for their USF courses. The cost for the insurance for Spring 2025 is \$2,261 USD and it valid from January 1 to July 31, 2025: https://myusf.usfca.edu/hps/insurance/student-plan

For information about the mandatory insurance requirement: https://myusf.usfca.edu/student-health-safety/hps/insurance/international

For information to waive out of USF's health insurance plan: https://myusf.usfca.edu/hps/insurance/waiver-criteria

Immunizations and COVID-19

Exchange students are required to provide proof of immunization records as part of the exchange application regardless if you do not live in USF student housing. For more information on what immunization requirements for international students need to submit and how to submit them:

- https://myusf.usfca.edu/hps/immunization
- https://myusf.usfca.edu/hps/immunization/check-requirements

Exchange students will be required to submit proof of immunization records prior to arrival to San Francisco. The due date will be January 15, 2025.

| Visa Requirements | Exchange students who do not have a U.S. passport must obtain a J-1 visa to enter the U.S. and attend courses at USF. Exchange students will be required to complete the Certification of Finances form (as part of the exchange application). It is very important because without it USF cannot issue out the DS-2019 form that exchange students need in order to get the J-1 visa from a U.S. Embassy in their home country. Exchange students must demonstrate that they have the financial means to support their academic expenses (housing, meals, insurance, transportation, books, etc.) while they attend USF. Exchange students will need to have valid bank documentation verifying that they have at least \$13,521 US dollars per semester in available funding for the Academic Year 2024-2025. For more information: |
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| Student Disability Services | USF is committed to the full participation of all students. Student Disability Services (SDS) recognizes disability as a valued aspect of diversity and works to facilitate equal access and an inclusive environment for students with disabilities. For more information: https://myusf.usfca.edu/sds/accommodations |
| Employment | Exchange students may have the opportunity to work on-campus but is not guaranteed. For more information: https://myusf.usfca.edu/isss/students/j-1/employment |
| Mandatory Orientation | Exchange students are required to attend the mandatory International Student Orientation that is scheduled one week before classes begin. For more information: http://myusf.usfca.edu/isss/international-student-orientation |
| USF Transcripts | USF does not automatically issue official transcripts for students. Therefore, exchange students will be responsible for ordering his/her USF official transcript before departing the U.S. Exchange students must resolve any remaining account balance or else transcript will not be released until payment has been made. |
| Student Support Services & University Life | Exchange students have access to various student engagement programs and academic support services, free of charge, such as: The Learning, Writing and Speaking Centers, Student Disability Services, International Student Scholar Services, Counseling and Psychological Services, Student Clubs and Cultural Centers, Career Services Center, University Ministry, and Recreational Sports programs and exercise classes. |

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