



UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

ALBERTA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

International Exchange Fact Sheet - 2020/2021 Academic Year

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE OFFICE

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SEMESTER DATES*

2020/2021	First Semester (Fall Term) 2020	Second Semester (Winter Term) 2021
Orientation Session	Aug 26 – 28	January 3
Classes Begin	September 1	January 4
Registration Deadline	September 15	January 15
Classes End	December 7	April 9
Exams	December 10-22	April 12-24

*Actual length of program may vary according to individual schedules. Please see the “Academic Schedule” at calendar.ualberta.ca to view the full official University of Alberta semester dates, when available.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Nomination & Application Deadlines	<p>APRIL 1st for September and/or January admissions</p> <p>SEPTEMBER 15th for January admission only</p> <p>Early application is strongly recommended to reduce the risks of limited space in campus accommodation and course registration. Processing of the application documents takes approximately 6-8 weeks.</p>
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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Undergraduate Business Prerequisites	<p>Most Undergraduate candidates are expected to have a core understanding of the basic business/econ principles through completion of foundational business courses prior to exchange. For reference, the courses we require our local first year students to take prior to entering the Alberta School of Business include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Applied Statistics • Elementary Calculus • Introduction to Microeconomics • Introduction to Macroeconomics <p>Exchange students will not be able to follow the regular business course offerings if they do not have this academic background already.</p>
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English Language Proficiency	All candidates must meet the language proficiency requirements and provide proof of such as specified by the exchange agreement. Please refer to the full details for the Alberta School of Business Proof of English language proficiency standards and ways to satisfy the requirement.
Academic Standard	All candidates are expected to have an above-average academic performance record at their home institution. MBA level exchange applicants must meet the minimum graduate academic standards set by our central graduate admissions office.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Application info and forms are available online at www.ualberta.ca/business/international/incoming-exchange/application. Students from partner institutions should first contact the Exchange Program Coordinator at their home university to obtain further information and begin the application process. After nomination by the home university, exchange students must complete and submit the following documents.

For Undergraduate Exchange	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Incoming Undergraduate Student Exchange Application Form 2. Up-to-date official record of ALL post-secondary work completed (& English translations, if necessary) 3. List of courses currently being taken (if not shown on official record) 4. Proof of English language proficiency as specified by exchange agreement. The standard undergraduate minimum TOEFL score required is 90 (internet based test) with a score of no less than 21 on each band (or equivalent) 5. Copy of passport ID page
For MBA Exchange (Visiting)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application for Visiting Graduate Student 2. Up-to-date official record of ALL post-secondary work completed (& English translations, if necessary). Both UG and Masters transcripts must be included 3. Proof of English language proficiency as specified by exchange agreement. The standard MBA TOEFL score required is 100 (internet based test) or equivalent. 4. Permission to Participate Form with a list of courses requested at the University of Alberta (only 500-or-600-level courses are offered at the MBA level) 5. Copy of passport ID page

ACADMEMIC INFORMATION

Class Format	Most courses have 3 hours of lecture/contact time per week (either 3 classes at 1 hour each, or 2 classes at 1.5 hours each). At 13 weeks, most courses have a total contact time of 39 hours per semester (Fall/Winter). The contact hours do not include estimates for individual study, projects, exams or other work outside the classroom.
Course Load	The maximum, full-time course load at the University of Alberta is 5 courses (15 credits) per semester. Exchange students are advised to take 4 courses (12 credits) per term. Exchange students must take a minimum of 3 courses (9 credits) per term to maintain their student visa.
Course Listings	Exchange students will have access to a wide variety of courses in Finance, International Business, Marketing, Accounting, Organizational Analysis, Management and Small Business within the Alberta School of Business. Subjects from other UofA departments are available pending approval from the department. A list of past and potential business courses may be found at catalogue.ualberta.ca/Course . Courses numbered 100-400 are at the Undergraduate level and 500-600 courses are for MBA studies. However, please be aware that certain restrictions may apply and therefore it is important to have some flexibility in your study plan.

HOUSING

For on-campus housing, apply online at www.residence.ualberta.ca. In order to submit an application, students will need their UofA ID number, CCID (Campus Computing ID) and password. The CCID and password are automatically created when the student is issued an ID number. Incoming students will be notified of this by e-mail when their applications are approved by the Registrar's Office.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

<p>The following is a break-down of estimated costs per semester while on exchange to the University of Alberta (in Canadian dollars). Estimates do not include airfare or any preparatory expenses.</p>	On-Campus Housing (single room)	\$750-\$1,500/month
	(double/shared room)	\$500-1000/month
	Off-Campus Housing (shared, unfurnished, NO meals)	\$1000-\$1500/month
	Meals	\$400/month
	Books & Classroom Materials	\$600-\$800/semester
	Mandatory Health Insurance	\$200/semester
	Local Transportation (student U-Pass)	\$155/semester
	Other/Personal expenses (will vary according to individual preferences)	\$250-\$500/month
	TOTAL per semester (4 months) on-campus	\$6,000 - \$9,000 CAD

HEALTH INSURANCE

All students attending the University of Alberta for less than 12 months who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents and who therefore do not have Alberta Health Care Insurance are required to participate in the University of Alberta Health Insurance Program (UAHIP) and to pay the required premiums to the University of Alberta for this health insurance. **A waiver cannot be given for any other health insurance.** Upon confirmation of registration at the University of Alberta, students will automatically be enrolled in UAHIP. The total premium for the semester must be paid upon arrival. This plan is administered by the International Centre. For more information, please visit www.ualberta.ca/international-student-services/money-insurance-permits-guide/health-insurance.

STUDENT SERVICES

International Student Services	The International Centre and the School of Business International Office jointly provide various support services for exchange students. An extensive 3-day orientation is arranged in late August, and a one-day orientation is arranged in early January to help new international students adjust to life and study at the U of A. International Student Services also provide ways for interested students to get involved in the local community and facilitate interaction between international students and Canadians.
Academic Advising	Academic advising is available at the School of Business to provide assistance with planning a student's academic schedule if required. International student advisors are also available at the International Centre.
Campus Facilities	The University issues a student ID card to all students, which provides access to Campus Recreation and Fitness Centres, libraries, photocopy & printing resources, campus laboratories, as well as a wide range of other academic and recreational facilities. Students will also be able to use the University Health Centre (UHC), a walk-in medical clinic with full physician, nursing, and pharmacy services. Find out more about the University of Alberta campuses at www.ualberta.ca/campus-life/ourcampuses .

Buddy Program	The Business Exchange Association (BEA) is a student association dedicated to assisting and integrating international students at the School of Business. The Association plans regular events and social gatherings throughout the semester that provide exchange participants with opportunities to mix with other students, make friends and have fun. In addition, the group organizes a "buddy" program, which connects incoming students to a Canadian student who can pick them up from the airport, help out with transportation and accommodation over the first few days in Edmonton, and be a resource for all sorts of assistance throughout the exchange term. For more information, please visit the BEA website at www.uofabea.com .
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U-Pass	The Universal Transit Pass (U-Pass) will give students unlimited access to all regular Edmonton area public transportation services for the duration of the academic term at an affordable price. The U-Pass is a partnership between the University and the three municipalities of Edmonton, St. Albert and Strathcona County. All students registered at the University of Alberta Edmonton Campuses are automatically enrolled in the U-Pass service. Fees are assessed and collected from exchange students upon arrival.
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USEFUL LINKS & RESOURCES

	<p>School of Business Exchange Program home page www.ualberta.ca/business/international</p> <p>Information for all UofA courses available https://catalogue.ualberta.ca/Course http://calendar.ualberta.ca https://www.beartracks.ualberta.ca</p> <p>Campus Housing Information www.residence.ualberta.ca</p> <p>Off-campus Accommodation information www.rentingspaces.ca/index.htm</p> <p>International Student Services home page www.ualberta.ca/international-student-services</p> <p>Information on the city of Edmonton, the province of Alberta and Canada https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/international/why-ualberta/why-edmonton</p>
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