



University of Wisconsin Madison

Financial requirement

Financial guarantee amount The University of Wisconsin Madison requires a written financial guarantee of at least \$16,000 for an academic year.

Brief overview of the university

In achievement and prestige, the University of Wisconsin-Madison has long been recognized as one of America's great universities. A public, land-grant institution, UW-Madison offers a complete spectrum of liberal arts studies, professional programs and student activities. Many of its programs are hailed as world leaders in instruction, research and public service.

Academic issues

Academic strengths Engineering

Restricted/closed Departments This is an engineering exchange program. However, you may take classes from other schools/colleges as needed as long as there is space available, and you have the appropriate academic background. At least 50% of courses should be in the College of Engineering.

Can I pre-register for classes before arrival? Yes

If yes, please give details You register for classes in April (or November) and you use an on-line registration system.

Link/s to detailed subject or course descriptions www.engr.wisc.edu/courses

Semester dates

Fall Semester 2011 - 2 September 2011 - 23 December 2011

Spring Semester 2012 - 23 January 2012 - 19 May 2012

<http://www.secfac.wisc.edu/acadcal/>

*Exchange students must attend an orientation that is typically scheduled one week before the beginning of the semester.

Housing

Guaranteed housing?	Yes, on-campus housing is guaranteed if all application materials are received by March 1. Students can (relatively) easily find off-campus housing options upon arrival (private residence halls, co-ops, or apartments)
Is on-campus housing readily available?	Yes.
When is on-campus housing assignment information sent?	Late Spring
Link to housing website	On-campus: www.housing.wisc.edu/ Links to other options available on our website: http://international.engr.wisc.edu/incoming/applying.php
Brief details	The undergraduate residence halls are divided into smaller units called "houses" where 50 to 80 residents live and form a community. A house can be one, two, three, or four floors in a hall or a small building. The tradition of the "house" as the nucleus of the community is a unique feature of the university residence halls. Since the earliest days of on-campus housing, student peer advisors called House Fellows have lived among the students, fostering a sense of community and self-government. Most students share a double room with one other student. All students share same-gender bathroom facilities conveniently located on each residence hall floor, or in a suite. Most residents are first (or second) year students.
Allocation process	Late Spring

Application information

Which month of the year are applications processed?	March (or October)
Which month of the year do you send out offer letters?	April

Immigration information

Which month of the year do you hope to send immigration documents?	April/May
Where can I find further information about immigration?	www.usembassy.org.uk/ www.ice.gov/graphics/news/factsheets/SEVISFactSheet.htm

Pre-arrival information

Which is your nearest airport?	Madison (MSN). O'Hare (ORD) in Chicago is a 3 hour bus ride from campus and the bus runs several times a day (www.vangalderbus.com).
Do you offer an airport pick up programme?	Yes, through MFIS (below)
Brief details	You must request this through a separate organization – Madison Friends of International Students (MFIS): www.intstudents.wisc.edu/mfis/index.html Submit applications early as these options fill up fast!
Do you have an orientation programme?	Yes

Is it mandatory?	Yes
How much does it cost?	No fee
What are the dates?	The date varies and we set the date approximately 6 months in advance. Typically the last Tuesday in August (if classes begin on the Tuesday after Labor Day) or the Monday of the week that classes begin (if classes begin before Labor Day), the week before courses begin or the second Thursday in January before classes begin.
Link for a website for further details	http://international.engr.wisc.edu/incoming/applying.php

Health Insurance

Do you have mandatory health insurance?	Yes
Brief details	www.uhs.wisc.edu/home/ship
Approximately how much does it cost?	\$1400 for two semesters
Can this be waived by my own policy?	Sometimes. Please see website for waiver information. It is difficult to get a waiver.

Additional costs

Do I have to pay any mandatory costs?	No
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If yes, please provide details and costs

General Information

Links to tourist information	www.visitmadison.com/
Link to the Study Abroad office pages	http://international.engr.wisc.edu/incoming/applying.php

Contact details

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