# USC Factsheet

| Address (for mail and courier) | Study Abroad Office  
1705 College Street  
Close-Hipp Suite 453  
University of South Carolina  
Columbia, SC 29208  
U.S.A. |
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<td>University Website</td>
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| Contact information for exchange activities, including phone number, fax and email | Samuel Crook, Exchange Coordinator  
Tel: (803) 777-7557  
crooksj2@mailbox.sc.edu  
If unavailable please contact:  
Study Abroad Office  
Tel: (803) 777-7557  
studyabroad@sc.edu  
In the event of an after-hours emergency, please call USC Campus Police at 803-777-4215. This number is monitored 24/7 and Campus Police will be in communication with Study Abroad Office staff. |
| Handbook for Incoming Exchange Students | Provided to students via email prior to arrival |
| Academic calendar with holiday dates (semesters or terms) | Fall Semester: mid August to mid December  
Spring Semester: early January to early May  
For detailed dates please visit:  
https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/academic_calendars/2018-19_calendar.php |
| Exam dates | Generally, second week of December and first or second week of May.  
For detailed dates please visit:  
https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/academic_calendars/2018-19_calendar.php |
| Deadlines for the nomination of exchange students for each term | March 1<sup>st</sup> – Fall Semester or Academic Year  
September 1<sup>st</sup> – Spring Semester  
https://uscips.wufoo.com/forms/exchange-student-nomination-form-20182019/ |
| Deadlines for receipt of application forms | April 1<sup>st</sup> – Fall Semester or Academic Year  
October 1<sup>st</sup> – Spring Semester |
| Initial application forms needed | 1) Special Application for Non-Degree Students (online application, link will be sent to students each term)  
2) Application for Immigration Document  
https://uscips.wufoo.com/forms/exchange-application-for-immigration-document/  
3) English-proficiency official scores from one of the following:  
TEOFL – 550 paper-based exam, 77 internet based exam  
**use code 5818 for USC and send an unofficial copy to our office** |

* Exchange students will be required to pay a $200 non-degree seeking student fee  
** All other initial application fees are waived for exchange students. Waived fees include:
- $40 international admission fee
- $500 international student enrollment fee

IELTS 6.5
PTE 53

*Be advised that accepted scores may vary depending on exchange agreements*

4) Photocopy of official transcripts
5) Immunization Form
6) Certification of Financial Support Form
   - Exchange students must certify:
     - $9,071 US per semester (4 months)**
     - $18,455 US per academic year (9 months)**
   for living expenses (housing, food, books, health insurance, miscellaneous) while at USC.
7) Photocopy of passport (high resolution scan please)

Documents 3-7 should be uploaded to the student’s Study Abroad Account. Students will be given complete instructions to follow after nomination.

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**Courses of study which are open to exchange students**

*Courses available during the fall semester (August-December) will be posted in mid-March. Courses available during the spring semester (January-May) will be posted in mid-November.

Students may enroll in any course for which they meet the prerequisite. Courses are offered on a per semester basis only. For a list of general course descriptions, go to [http://bulletin.sc.edu/index.php](http://bulletin.sc.edu/index.php)

For a list of business course descriptions, go to [http://bulletin.sc.edu/preview_entity.php?catoid=56&ent_oid=872&returnto=1387#programs-and-courses](http://bulletin.sc.edu/preview_entity.php?catoid=56&ent_oid=872&returnto=1387#programs-and-courses)

For course availability by semester please visit:
[https://ssb.onecarolina.sc.edu/BANP/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched](https://ssb.onecarolina.sc.edu/BANP/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched)

Please note that some IBUS, EXSC and PEDU courses are not available to exchange students. Contact your USC Study Abroad Advisor for more info on course eligibility.

**Type of accommodation offered**

*Exchange students are required to live on campus.

Exchange students usually stay in the Quads, International House at Maxcy College (Maxcy), Bates-West or any of the Horseshoe apartments, although they can be placed anywhere on-campus. All exchange students are placed in residence halls that remain open during university breaks and that have kitchen facilities. These options can vary based on availability. **Housing is guaranteed but preferences are not.**

For more information on housing at USC, please visit:
[http://www.housing.sc.edu/virtualtour/](http://www.housing.sc.edu/virtualtour/)

**Contact for accommodation, including phone number, fax and e-mail**

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Exchange Student Coordinator
Phone: (803) 777-7557
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Crooksj2@mailbox.sc.edu

**Meal plans**

USC offers several meal plan options at a variety of on-campus dining locations. Meal plans are not required. Students who do not wish to purchase a standard meal plan may use their CarolinaCard to purchase individual meals at Campus dining facilities. For meal plan options visit: [http://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/dining_services/meal_plans/index.php](http://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/dining_services/meal_plans/index.php)

**Student Card**

All new students will be issued a USC student card, called the “Carolina Card”. This card serves as a student ID and library card, and allows access to a variety of on campus services such as dining, photocopying, health
| **Introductory Orientation**          | 1 week – dates vary by term  
More arrival information will be sent to students upon receipt of their applications. |
| **Medical Insurance**               | Compulsory medical insurance may be applied for prior to or upon arrival on campus. 2018-2019 fees are approximately $852 US per fall semester and $1,168 per spring/summer semester. If a student can provide proof of requisite health insurance coverage, this fee may be waived. For USC's health insurance requirements please visit: https://www.sa.sc.edu/shs/billing/insurance/ |