

International Visiting Student Procedures

The University of Cincinnati (UC) can accept international students for one or two semesters through two different programs: Student Exchange Programs (SEP) or Visiting Student Programs (VSP). Student Exchange Programs are available to students coming from one of UC's partner institutions abroad. A signed official agreement must be in place with your university for you to participate on one of our Student Exchange Programs. If you are not sure if an agreement exists, please check with your international office. The Visiting Student Programs are currently only offered in the fall in certain academic areas.

VSP Academic Areas

- American Identity and Politics
- Managing International Business
- Environmental Science
- Marketing and Management
- Arts/Business Management

Application Deadlines

For a Fall Semester Start: April 15th

For a Spring Semester Start: October 15th (Student Exchange Programs only)

Important Notes

- SEP participants will pay all tuition and fees to their home institution. VSP participants will pay tuition and fees to the University of Cincinnati.
- SEP students can pick from courses within their area of interest.
- VSP students can participate in one of five pre-set academic programs in American Identity and Politics, Environmental Science, Managing International Business, Marketing and Management, Arts/Business Management.
- UC operates on a semester calendar, 15 weeks in one semester, running from late August to May, a detailed calendar can be found as part of this packet.
- UC will assist you with housing once you have applied.
- All students must arrive on the specified arrival dates, there are no exceptions.
- Typically 3 semester credits is the equivalent of 6 ECTS credits, or roughly 12 credits in the UK and Australian systems.

English Language

VSP students must meet the University's English Language Requirement or be from one of the below countries that meet the English Language Requirements:

American Identity and Politics – TOEFL score of 66 or higher (or equivalent on IELTS or Pearson)

All other VSP programs – TOEFL score of 79 or higher (or equivalent on IELTS or Person)

Antigua	Australia	Bahamas	Barbados	Belize	Bermuda	Canada (except QC)
Denmark	Dominica	Fiji	Finland	Grand Caymen	Grenada	Irish Republic
Jamaica	Malawi	Netherlands	Nevis	New Zealand	Norway	Singapore
South Africa	St. Kitts	St. Lucia	St. Vincent Grenadines	Sweden	United Kingdom	Virgin Islands

2012-12 International Visiting Student Program Calendar

All dates are subject to change:

Fall Semester	
August 18 – 19	Arrival Days (please only arrive on these days)
August 20	Immigration Check-In
August 21	International Academic Advising (Orientation)
August 22	International Academic Advising (Orientation)
August 27	Fall Semester Begins
December 15	Fall Semester Ends
Spring Semester	
January 2 – 3	Arrival Days (please only arrive on these days)
January 4	Immigration Check-in and Academic Advising
January 7	Spring Semester Begins
April 25	Spring Semester Ends

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Course Selection

VSP students will take courses from a pre-selected list of classes within the program they are admitted to, and will receive further information with their admission packet.

SEP students can research courses within their discipline at the following link:

<http://webapps.uc.edu/registrar/courseplanningguide/>. Select the semester box. Please indicate your areas of interest in your personal statement. Actual course registration will take place during orientation, unless students are directly contacted by an advisor.

Procedures

Student should meet with their home university's international office to explore the possibility of a visiting international student program. Students must complete the application and collect the supporting documents as listed in the application checklist. If your institution nominates students, please make sure nominations have been received before the application deadlines. UC will only accept electronic copies of the application and supporting documents in Adobe PDF format. All documents should be submitted to ryan.meyer@uc.edu or gwen.roemer@uc.edu. Application submitted any other way will not be accepted.

Application Checklist

- Completed Application**
- Financial Certification Form (as part of the application)**
- Bank statement or letter from your bank stating you have the required financial support (see estimated expenses; 3,360 USD per semester for SEP students)**
- Academic Record (Transcript)**
- English Proficiency Test Score (VSP students only)**
- Statement of Purpose (Tell us about your goals, interests, and hobbies)**
- Portfolio (as a PDF) for those students applying to Design, Architecture and Interior Design, and Fine Arts**
- Copy of the Information Page of Your Passport**