



Exchange Program Frequently Asked Questions

How long is an exchange?

1 or 2 semesters (varies from one university to another).

Do I get to study at the university of my choice?

You can study at any one of our partner universities. We have agreements with 15 universities in 13 different countries.

We ask that you indicate your top 3 choices and we do our very best to give you your first choice.

Do I need to know the language of the host country?

The language of instruction in most cases is English.

Exceptions: Icom, France and UQAM, Quebec, require an intermediate level (B2) of French and Universidad de Santo Tomas, Chile requires an intermediate level (B2) of Spanish.

Most universities offer optional beginner level language courses or have language centres to support language learning.

How many courses am I allowed to take while on exchange?

You can take up to 4 courses per semester at the host university.

Things to consider:

- Will this affect scholarship renewal?
- Will this affect the time it will take to finish my degree?

An Academic Advisor can help you determine if and how an exchange might fit into your degree program.

How will the courses I take through Exchange be reflected on my degree?

Only the credits will be transferred to your degree not the grades.



Where will I live?

Some institutions have a residence system, some require you to participate in Homestay and some will require you to live off-campus.

Partner institutions will provide you with the resources to help you find adequate accommodations.

Do I have to pay international tuition and fees?

No. You pay your tuition and fees to St. Thomas University.

You are responsible for paying your travel, accommodation, immigration and health insurance fees.

Are there any scholarships or bursaries that I can apply for?

Yes. STU offers a financial need based travel bursary that you can apply.

Some countries offer scholarships like Turkey & South Korea (not guaranteed and there is an application process)

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